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MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

MAY 3, 1830 TO JULY 26, 1830

[1] In Common Council May 3d 1830

Present The Honbl Walter Bowne Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadle
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The President stated that the unfinished business of last Meeting Vizt "The Report on the subject of the Commutation of Alien Passengers" [2] which was under consideration when the Board adjourned was the first to be acted on. A Motion was made to postpone the consideration which was agreed to.

The Mayor presented Certified Copies of the following Laws passed at the last Session of the Legislature Vizt—An Act in addition to the Act respecting the Election of Charter Officers passed April 19. 1830 which was referred to the Law Committee. An Act to amend the Acts heretofore passed for the prevention of Fires

An Act to amend the 3d Article of the 2d Title of the 14th Chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes which was referred to the Board of Health .

An Act for the better regulation of the Wharves Piers & Slips in the City of New York passed 16 April 1830 which was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

An Act to amend an Act passed 6th April 1825 entitled an Act respecting the Collection of Taxes in the City of New York passed 20th April 1830—The above Laws were directed to be filed and to be printed for the use of the Members

A Petition of Magdalena Bell widow of James L Bell late Sheriff of the City and County for her right of Dower in Blackwells Island or some compensation therefor was read and [3] referred to the Counsel.

A Petition of Cyrus Beadel for the Office of Clerk of the Assistant Justice 5th & 8th Wards Court was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petiton of Abraham R Pattison and also of Peter D Demarest to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax they belonging to the Artillery and of Robert Elwell to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax were severally read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Communication from Henry Storms Inspector of Hackney Coaches suggesting certain alterations in the Law relative to Hackney Coaches was read and referred to the Law & Police Committees.

A Petition of John Gilmore to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for neglecting to clean his Side walks of Snow—Of the Executors of Richard Harison to be relieved from the payment of a fine for interring the body of the said Richard Harison in his Vault in Trinity Church—Also of Peter Hughes to be relieved from prison on a fine for selling Liquor without Licence were read and referred to the Police Committee.

[4] A Remonstrance of William Lewis & Thomas Hamersly against altering the name of Hamersly street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Manhattan Gas light Company praying that the Contract made by the City with the New York Gas light Company may be annulled and the use of the Streets be granted to the Petitioners was read and referred to the Law Committee

A Petition of John Bartine to be appointed a Measurer or Weigher of Coal &c which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of William Hill for Stall N° 16 Catharine Market—Of Morton Fairchild to transfer Stall N° 29 Clinton Market to John Van Buskirk—of John P Barker for Stall N° 9 Greenwich Market—of James Hartell & Mathew Chase for exchange of Stalls in Washington Market—Of Joshua S Place and Benjamin Ward for exchange of Stalls in Grand street Market—were severally read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James Hall and [5] William B Skidmore executor of the Estate of Samuel Norsworthy for a Gore of Land left by the

opening of Ann street—Of James Langley for a reduction of ground Rent on premises 57 Chatham street—Of John Wood Jr to purchase a Gore of Land on Ann street, of Hugh Maxwell to purchase a Gore of Land on Cedar street—Of David V Smith for a Gore of ground at the corner of Bowery and fourteenth Street were severally read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Holmes Hawley & Co & others praying the Common Council would agreeably to the power vested in them by Law pay for and take the East side of India Wharf for public use was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial was presented from Eldad Holmes as Chairman of a Meeting of a large number of Grocers of the City stating their objection to the Law of the State of the Session of 1829 imposing an additional Tax of $1.5\%_{00}$ on each Grocer to be applied to the use of the House of Refuge. That they believe the Law unconstitutional and they wish it may be tested in some amicable manner—Alderman Strong presented a Resolution directing the Commissioners of Excise to receive Ten Dollars for each Tavren and Excise Licence presented, and that an amicable suit be instituted to [6] determine the legality of the additional Tax of $1.5\%_{00}$ this being read was laid on the Table—Alderman Strong presented a further Resolution directing the Commissioners of Excise to retain the Tax of $1,5\%_{00}$ until a legal decision be had on the constitutionality of the Law—Mr Roosevelt offered a Resolution to refer the the Memorial to the Law Committee and Counsel with powers—Alderman Stevens then presented the following Resolution and the question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board appear on behalf of the Corporation before the Supreme Court and offer every facility to obtain the opinion of the Court as to the Constitutional question growing out of the Law relating to the $1.50 last year collected for the House of Refuge and that it is the opinion of the Board that the Commissioners of Excise in the mean time demand the $1,5\%_{00}$ and retain the same for a reasonable time for the decision of the Court.

A Petition of George Lorillard to have the sewer in Centre street extended from Walker to Leonard street was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of John S Crane & others for a Well & Pump corner of 4th & Mercer streets was [7] read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of J Staples and others to pave the 8th Avenue between 13th & 21st Streets was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of the Northern Dispensary for their Annual Donation of Two hundred Dollars, and Also of the New York Dispensary for their annual Donation of Six hundred Dollars for general vaccination were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial of Alfred S Pell against filling the Block of Ground between Avenue D 4th 5th and Lewis streets with earth was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Frazee and others stating that in 1828 an Ordinance was presented by the City Inspector and passed directing the owner or owners of Cow Stables situated in Mercer street between Amity and Fourth street at their expence to cause the filth and fluids from said Stables to be passed from the same through Mercer street &c that in consequence of the passage of the same it causes a very great nuisance to the neighborhood and praying [8] the said Ordinance may be repealed, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of N C Hart and others praying that a Pond of Stagnant Water near 21st Street between Bloomingdale Road & 6th Avenue may be drawn off or filled in, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Bache McEvers & others praying to have a Well dug and pump placed therein at or near the corner of William and Cedar Streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the first Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Obadiah Lawrence to be appointed a Lamp lighter was read and referred to the Lamp Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Soley to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and appointments made.—Vizt

[9] Fire Engine Co

No 3

Cornelius Ryder Wheelwright Houston St to fill the Company.

No 4

James N Van Antwerp Merchant Water street
Vc Ira Perego—Time Expired

George Gordon—Accountant Water street
Vc John M Cooper Time Expired

N° 5

John Rodman Accountant 6 Spruce S^t^

V^c^ Benjamin Varick—Resigned

N° 12

Samuel A Miller—Accountant 10 Cherry S^t^

V^c^ Duncan P Campbell Resigned

N° 16

Richard H Pennoyer Shoe Merchant 361 Pearl S^t^
Annanias Jackson Grate Maker 171 Chrystie S^t^ } to fill the Company
Thomas Crowell House Carpenter 438 Pearl S^t^

N° 37

John H Klink Butcher 76 Orchard S^t^

V^c^ Arnest Fink Jun^r^ Resigned

[10] The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz^t^

*The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for Correcting Nuisances Viz^t^*

N° 1	Samuel Thompson	owner	53	Vestry S^t^	A privy
2.	Isaac Lawrence	"	62	Canal S^t^	D°
3.	Silvanus Miller	"	43	Cherry S^t^	D°
4.	Sam^el^ L Mitchell	"	41	do	D°
5.	Mary Ann Coster	"	26	Madison S^t^	D°
6.	W^m^ G Ely -	"	218	Hudson S^t^	D°
7.	Samuel Martin	"	24	Rivington S^t^	D°
8.	Peter Aymar	"	126	Nassau	D°
9.	Luke Marley	Lessee	38	Elm S^t^	D°
10.	Strong & Ballagh	owners	16	Cherry S^t^	D°
11.	Peter Morris & wife		507	Pearl S^t^	D°
12.	Isaac Morris		49	Canal	D°
13.	Catharine Ottingnon		57	Pearl S^t^	D°
14.	Thomas Martin		29	Cherry	D°
15.	David P Hall owner plot of Ground fronting on Fourth & 5^th^ S^t^				Lots
16.	D° fronting on East side Avenue D				"
17.	John Slidell or Traders Ins C°	owners	D°		"
18.	John J Suffield	owner	5^th^ Street Southerly		"
19	D°	D°	Avenue D Easterly		"
20.	[11] Thomas Beilby	"	5^th^ S^t^ Southerly		"
21.	Jane Sherwood	"	Avenue D cor 5^th^ S^t^		D°
22.	Alfred S Pell	"	Lewis & Sixth		Plot

23. Peter Polhemus	owner		Cor Sixth St	Lot
24 Wm McLaughlin	"		Henry St North side	"
25 Alfred S Pell	"		Christopher St Southerly Sd	Lots
26. John Lambert	Lessee	31	Willet St Westerly	Lot
27. Maturin Livingston	owner		Stanton Ridge & Attorney St	Lots
28. Robert Gracie	"		Dover St west side	Lot

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The Counsel presented a Report recommending an application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners for opening 6th Street in the place of Messrs Thomas R Smith, John Slidell & Cary Dunn who have resigned the same, as there was not in their opinion property sufficient to assess for the damage in opening having been read was referred to the Street Committee.

A Report was received from the Attorney (Lemuel Smith Esqr) stating that a suit had been commenced in September last against George Milne a Merchant of this City for a breach of the Law for not bonding Passengers and Mr Milne being an Alien [12] has removed the Suit from the Supreme Court to the Circuit Court of the United States—The object of the defence is to try the constitutionality of the State Law on that subject—The Attorney considering it a question of much importance, thought it his duty thus to bring it before the Common Council.

Whereupon the same was referred to the Law Committee with authority to act in employing further Counsel if deemed necessary.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents on Assessments which were read—Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to the Collector thereof Vizt

For paving Greenwich street from Bank street to the Kill Road—Also for a Well & Pump in Montgomery street near Harman street, Warrant to issue to John Hanmer the Collector thereof

For a Well & Pump near the intersection of Lewis and Rivington streets—Warrant to issue to Jameson Cox the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment For a Well & Pump in Amity street between Mercer and Green street which was confirmed and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector thereof.

[13] The Committee on Lands & Places presented the following Report on the subject of the Keeping of the Public grounds and proposing to discharge the present Keepers, and place the grounds under the charge of the Committee on Lands and places.

The Committee on Lands and Places respectfully beg leave to Report.

That under the present Ordinances of the Common Council relative thereto, they find it impracticable properly to regulate and keep in good order the several public places under their charge, and from the fact of the Keepers not enforcing the present Laws the public are without the benefit that might be realized from them even as they now are.

The expences of the Keepers are as follows.

Mr Gilman	at the Battery	$456.25
Mr McCready	Park	456.25
Mr Osborn	Washington Square	273.75
Mr Ferry	for general Superintendence $1 pr Diem	365.
	making	$1551.25

which may be considered in fact the expence of superintendance alone as the labour hire annually required on those places is paid for beyond this.

Your Committee are of opinion that if they were authorised to employ a man at each of those places, who would work as well as Superintend that the effect would be a saving to the Public of [14] *of* at least Two thousand dollars per Annum—And in conclusion offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Office of Keeper of the Battery, Bowling Green, Park and Washington Square as at present constituted, be abolished and that the said Public Grounds be and the same are hereby placed under the charge of the Committee on Lands and places with authority to employ such persons as they may deem proper.

James N Wells
James I Roosevelt Jr
Wm Mandeville
William W Mott

A Motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was lost. The Question was then taken on adopting the Report and a Division having been called by Mr Engs the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Stevens I Brown Seaman B M Brown Wells [15] Meserole Marsh Lee Palmer Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadel Jeremiah Dibblee Cooper Lovett 23

In the Negative Ald Strong Woodruff Mr Engs 3

So the Report was approved and the Resolution adopted. Mr Engs gave notice of Reconsideration next Meeting.

The Law Committee present a Report accompanied with the draft of an Ordinance for the preservation of the Public Grounds &c which was read, Laid on the Table, and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Law Committee to whom was [16] referred the Memorials of several persons Owners of private Vaults in the City praying for a repeal of the Law relative to Interments presented a Report together with a Law, which was read Laid on the Table, and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas C Taylor for the purchase of a Gore of Land [on] 14th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the application of Thomas C Taylor for the purchase of a Gore of Land on the North side of Fourteenth street

Respectfully Report

That the said Gore became the property of the Corporation by the proceedings for opening Fourteenth street and adjoins the land of the Petitioner.

The Committee are of opinion that the said Gore should be sold to him, and having inquired as to the value thereof they consider that the sum of Thirty Dollars is a fair price for the same. They offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said Gore from the Corporation to the said Thomas C Taylor he paying therefor the [17] sum of Thirty Dollars besides the expences of the Deed; and that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Jacob Astor for the purchase of a Gore of Land on 14th Street near 8th Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the application of John J Astor in relation to a Gore of ground on 14th Street near the 8th Avenue beg leave to Report. That in the opening of Fourteenth

street a Gore of Land on the Southerly side thereof adjoining the Land of the Petitioner, being Twenty three feet six inches on 14th Street, eleven feet four inches on the one side, and twenty feet seven inches on the other side, was awarded to the Corporation for the sum of One hundred and Seventy one dollars and which was paid on the first day of February last.

As it has been the practice of the Common [18] Council to dispose of the Gores awarded to them in the opening of Streets, to the owners of the adjoining lands, Your Committee are of opinion that it would be proper to do so in this case, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Gore of ground on the Southerly side of 14th Street awarded to the Corporation in the opening of said street, and which is adjoining Land of John Jacob Astor be sold to him for the sum of One hundred and seventy one dollars, and interest from the first day of February last, and expences of the conveyance, and that the Counsel to this Board be directed to prepare the proper Deed therefor, the same to be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Chauncey for the purchase of a Gore of Land on 86th Street near his premises presented the following Report in favor of the same

[19] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the application of Commodore Isaac Chauncey for the purchase of a Gore adjoining his property in the 12th Ward Respectfully Report

That the said Gore is a very small strip of Land formerly part of an Old Road which has been closed and now lying between 86th Street as the same has been recently opened, and the property of the Petitioner.

The Committee under all circumstances and having consulted the Street Commissioner, as to the value of the said Gore, are of opinion that it should be sold to Commodore C[h]auncey for the sum of Twenty five dollars and the expences of the Deed.

They offer the following Resolution therefore

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said Gore of Land from the Corporation to Commodore Isaac Chauncey, on his paying therefor the sum of Twenty five Dollars besides the expences of the Deed, and that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

[20] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Horatio Tucker to have money refunded to him with Interest which he paid for certain Lots sold for Taxes in 1825 presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Horatio Tucker praying to have money refunded to him with interest which he paid for certain Lots sold for Taxes in the year 1825

Respectfully Report

That they have enquired into the facts and find that at a Sale of Lands and tenements for Taxes which took place on the 28 December 1825, Mr Tucker purchased Four Lots of ground which were assessed as belonging to C H Hammond for one year the same having been sold to pay the taxes due thereon for the year 1823 amounting with interest and charges of Sale to $33.21 and being subject also at the time of such sale to the taxes for the year 1824 amounting to $10.26 making in all $43.47 which Mr Tucker paid It is alledged by Mr Tucker that there was a mistake in the Sale inasmuch as the said Lots were described as being in Hammond street, when in fact only two of them fronted on that Street, the other two however being immediately in the rear and adjoining. The Committee have ascertained that Mr Tucker was not misled or prejudiced by any such Mistake [21] as he found the whole four Lots, and actually made a bargain with a person to pay him rent for the same, And it is only, as the Committee believe because such rent was not paid, and Mr Tuckers Lease expired that he conceived the Idea of applying to the Corporation to refund the money which he had paid. The Committee think that this application cannot be sustained upon any ground, for even if Mr Tucker had been misled by any wrong description or other

mistake at the Sale they conceive that he waived all claim, on any such account by accepting the Lease. The Corporation moreover Warrant nothing in making sales of this nature, and the Committee are of opinion that they are in no respect liable for any such mistake as is alledged to have occurred in this instance.

They beg leave therefore to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant any relief upon the said Petition.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Editors of the Evening [22] Journal and Journal of Commerce to publish for the Corporation presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of the Editors and proprietors of the News papers called the Journal of Commerce and the Evening Journal praying that the said papers may be employed to publish for the Corporation.

Respectfully Report.

That the subject of employing Daily News papers to publish for the Corporation was before the Board on a former occasion, upon the Report of the Finance Committee relative to an application made by Charles N Baldwin Editor of the Morning Chronicle and in that Report, which was adopted January 28th 1828, it was considered that the number of Daily papers then published were more than sufficient to give publicity to the Corporation Advertisements, and it was deemed inexpedient to increase the number then employed. In consequence of which Report a Resolution was passed that no News paper which was not printed and published in this City prior to the first day of May 1827 should be employed by the Corporation, or be authorized to print the Corporation advertisements unless a Resolution should be previously passed in relation to such paper.

There are now Eight Daily papers em- [23] ployed by the Corporation at the rate of $100 per Annum for each, and the Committee are of opinion that the said number is quite sufficient to give the necessary publicity to the Corporation notice and Ordinances, and that it would not be advisable to incur any additional expence for such purpose.

They beg leave therefore to offer the following Resolution.
Resolved that it is inexpedient to comply with the said Petitions.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Van Nest and others purchasers of the State Prison Lots to be discharged from the payment of interest on the purchase money presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Abraham Van Nest and others purchasers of Lots formerly part of the State Prison property praying to be discharged from the payment of interest on the purchase money due for said Lots.

[24] Respectfully Report.

That the present application is made upon the ground that the conditions published at the sale of the said Lots have not been complied with or enforced. The Petitioners allege that by the terms of sale the buildings upon the said Lots were to be removed within three months. In this they are correct; and the intention thereof was simply, that inasmuch as the ground and the buildings were to be sold separately, and might be purchased by different persons, the purchaser of the buildings might have a reasonable time to remove the same, at the expiration of which, the purchaser of the ground should have a right to enter into possession. The terms of sale were thus declaratory of what the rights of the parties should be, and for the enforcement of those rights the same course was open to them as in any other case.

At the expiration of the three months the purchaser of a Lot had a right to enter and take possession, and if the owner of the buildings thereon, had not by that time removed them, he was in default and might perhaps have lost his right to remove them at all.

But at all events the rights of the parties under such circumstances was a matter to be determined between themselves by Law, or otherwise, and the Corporation are not, as the Committee conceive in any respect responsible to the purchasers of the Lots, having guaranteed nothing [25] to them, or in any respect sanctioned the purchasers

of the buildings in any non compliance on their part with the terms of sale.

Under this view of the subject, the Committee are of opinion that no part of the interest on the purchase money of the Lots bought by the Petitioners should be remitted and they submit therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant any relief upon the said Petitions

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Riker for the purchase of a Gore of Land on Ann street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard Riker praying for the purchase of a Gore on Ann street

Respectfully Report.

That the Gore applied for, was part of Ann street and became the property of the Corporation at [26] the estimated value of Seventy five Dollars, by the late proceedings for improving and widening Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street.

The Committee have ascertained that the Petitioner is the owner of the adjoining Land and they are of opinion therefore that his application should be complied with, They beg leave to offer the following resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said Gore from the Corporation to the said Richard Riker, he paying therefor the said sum of $75, and the expences of the Deed, and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of J D Waterman for reduction of Rent and renewal of Lease of 16 Lots presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Joshua D Waterman [27] praying for a reduction in the rent and an extension of the Lease of sixteen Lots of ground between Washington West King and Charlton streets held under Lease from the Corporation Respectfully Report

That the parties interested in the said Lease have been before the Committee and stated the grounds upon which in their opinion, their application should be granted. And the Committee have fully examined and enquired into the circumstances of the said property with the view of determining whether the rent now reserved by the Lease thereof was more than a fair rent for the same. Taking the value of the property into consideration, they are of opinion that the present rent is not too high, and that no reduction should be made. With respect to extending the Lease, the Committee entertain the same opinion which they have lately had occasion *lately* to express upon similar Applications Viz[t] that it is unwise to grant any such application when made during the pendancy of the Lease, and at a time when it is impossible to foresee the various circumstances which might on the expiration of the Lease make it inexpedient to renew it all or have an influence in determining the terms and conditions of such renewal. If the owners of the Lease in question should have any claims upon the favorable consideration of the Corporation the[y] will no doubt [28] be properly received by those who may compose that body when the said Lease will expire, And the Committee are of opinion, that until that time arrives it is better to make no alteration in the terms of the said Lease.

They offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant any relief on the prayer of the said Petition

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Embury and others Devisees of the late Daniel Aymar relative

to the widening and improving of Ann street presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of Peter Embury on behalf of himself and others devisees of Daniel Aymar Dec[d] respectfully Report

That the object of the said Memorial is to obtain relief from the Corporation for injustice [29] alledged to have been done to the applicants by the proceedings for widening and improving Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street, and the following appear to be the facts of the case.

M[r] Aymars devisees were the owners of the property situated at the Northwesterly corner of Nassau street and Ann street the principal part of which was required for the purpose of widening Ann street. The Commissioners thought it expedient (as they had power by Law to do) to include the residue of the said property in their Estimate and Assessment, and thus the whole was taken by the said proceedings. The sum allowed therefor in the first instance was $11220—M[r] Embury objected, and the Commissioners on reconsidering the matter encreased the amount to $11370; The Report on being presented to the Supreme Court was opposed by Counsel employed by M[r] Embury but was confirmed, no appeal or further legal proceedings was resorted to by the parties interested in the said premises and the improvement is now carrying into effect.

It is evident from the above state of facts, that no grounds exist for asking any relief or claiming any additional compensation from the Corporation. M[r] Embury alledges that the property was worth at least $12,000. It may be so but the Commissioners appointed by the Court to judge of [30] that matter, thought otherwise, and the Court approved of their judgment, but whether injustice in this respect has been done to the owners or not, the Corporation have no controul over the subject nor any right to apply public money to relieve parties situated as the applicants in this case are.

The Committee beg leave therefore to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant any relief upon the said application.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Flanagan for renewal of Lease of Common Lands presented the following Report against the same

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Flanagan praying for the renewal of his Lease of Lot N° 203 of the Common Lands

Respectfully Report.

That the subject of renewing Leases from the [31] Corporation, before they are about to expire, has already occupied the attention of the Board, and they were of opinion and so reported to the Board, that as a general rule, the Board should refuse to grant applications of that kind. In the present instance the Petitioners Lease will not expire until the first of May 1833 And the Committee see no reason for making it an exception. They beg leave therefore to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient at present to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacob P Roome and others to have Weehawken streets paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Weehawken street paved

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that street ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution

[32] Resolved that Weehawken street be regulated and paved between Christopher and Charles street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
W Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of closing the Southampton Road and also Warren Road presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of closing the Southampton Road between 15th & 21st Street and also for closing the Warren Road between Southampton Road and 21st Street—Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the retaining of those old Roads as public highways has by the opening the Streets in conformity with the regular plan of the City, become unnecessary, and that they ought therefore to be closed and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following resolutions

Resolved that it is desirable for public convenience and individual interest that [33] Southampton Road be closed between 15th & 21st Street.

Resolved that Warren Road be closed between Southampton Road and 21st Street.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary Application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissoners of Estimate and Assessment in the said matters, and that the Petition for that purpose be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
W Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons to have Side Walks of Madison street paved from Pike to Grand street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Madison street paved from Pike street to Grand street.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved, and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

[34] Resolved that the side walks in Madison street be paved between Pike street and Grand street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of a number of persons to have 13th Street paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petitions to have Thirteenth street paved between the Third Avenue and the Kill Road Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion public convenience requires that Street to be paved, as well as the interest of the Petitioners. They accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Thirteenth street be paved from the Third Avenue to the Kill Road.

Thomas T Woodruff
George D Strong
[35] W Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the 8th Avenue paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the 8th Avenue paved from 13th to 21st Street.

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that Avenue ought to be paved inasmuch as it is rendered almost impassible for Carriages owing to the waters of the intersecting streets making a lodgement thereon and which cannot be remedied but by paving the Avenue. They therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Eighth Avenue be regulated and paved from Thirteenth street to Twenty first street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
W Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[36] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Hanover street adopted for the Street lately opened between Wall street and Exchange Place presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the name of Hanover street adopted for the Street lately opened between Wall street and Exchange Place, and to have that name continued to Pearl street late Hanover Square.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion much of the inconvenience which now exists by having Streets lying contiguous to and intersecting each other, called by names so very similar as those of "Exchange place" & "Exchange street" would be in a great measure obviated by granting the request of the Petitioners they accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street lately opened along the Exchange Buildings between Wall street and Exchange Place be known and distinguished by the name of Hanover street and that so much of Exchange Place as lies between the Exchange Buildings and Pearl street be also changed to that of Hanover street.

Thomas T Woodruff
George D Strong
[37] W Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Clinton Hall Association to have Beekman street widened between Chatham street and Theatre Alley presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Clinton Hall Association and the owners of property in Beekman street to have that street widened and improved by removing a portion of the building between Theatre Alley and the Park Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion it would add much to public convenience to have the entrance into Beekman street widened at that place on a line with the front of Clinton Hall. Yet as some doubts have arisen in the mind of your Committee respecting the propriety of the measure, they offer for consideration the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioners.

George D Strong
W Scott
John Lovett

[38] Whereupon Alderman Mott presented as a substitute the following Resolutions which were adopted.

Resolved that Beekman street be widened and improved between Chatham street and Theatre Alley agreeable to an application lately made for that purpose.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners for the said purpose, And that the Petition be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Walter Durbrow & John Pendegrast for Butchers Licences presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac S Schuyler to transfer Stall N° 35 Washington Market to Walter Durbrow, and also the Petition of John Winship to transfer Stall N° 3 Grand Street Market to John Pendegrast Respectfully Report

That the Committee are satisfied that the Petitioners are suitable persons to receive a Licence and they offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence [39] be granted to Walter Durbrow for Stall N° 35, Washington Market, and to John Pendergast for Stall N° 3 Grand Street Market.

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
David Marsh
B. J. Meserole
Jonathan Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department presented the following Report relative to an exchange of Grounds with M[r] Howe for the accommodation of the Public Water Works presented the following Report in favor thereof.

The Committee on the Fire Department in part Report, that it is desirable to exchange a few feet of ground with M[r] B[r]igham How, by giving him three feet of the Corporation property fronting on the Bowery adjacent to his North line, and running down the same, and the Angular gore running on his South line, in exchange for so many feet in the rear of his Lot as will be equivilent to the three feet and the gore proposed to be conveyed. M[r] How acceeds to this

proposal, and the exchange will accommodate the Public Water Works, Your Committee offer the following Resolution.

[40] Resolved that the Counsel of the Board examine the Title and prepare the necessary papers and that the Mayor execute the Deed on the part of the Corporation agreeable to this Report.

Benjamin M Brown
John Rogers
W Scott
Samuel Stevens
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of John T Irving and others complaining of the disorderly conduct of persons who assemble about the Engine Houses in Tryon Row presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of John T Irving and others complaining of the disorderly conduct of young persons who congregate about the Engine Houses in Tryon Row beg leave

Respectfully to Report.

That the Petitioners set forth and the evidence produced before your Committee most conclusively shows that much disorder and evil result from the improper practice of allowing young lads to frequent the Engine Houses of this City, they enter the [41] same by what is termed night keys, and there they can and do resort at all times, and on some occasions do remain nearly all night, they use the Oil & firewood furnished to the Firemen, and create false alarms of Fire, for the purpose of getting the Fire Engines out, and racing them through the Streets. These complaints are not confined to this particular neighborhood, but embrace many other places. But your Committee wish it to be expressly understood that in no instance have the Firemen been accused of creating false alarms of Fire, or of countenancing the boys in their improper conduct. Another very improper practice prevails, that of running the Engines on the Side walks, not only in violation of the Law, and to the great injury of Public and private property, but often endangering the lives of our fellow Citizens, the evil is one calling for the interferance of the Common Council.

Your Committee offer for the consideration of the Common Council, the following.

Resolved that the Chief Engineer, and the several Ward Street

Inspectors be and they are hereby directed to make diligent enquiry whenever complaint is made to them of any Engine or other Fire Machine running on the side walk contrary to the 5th Section of the 14th Chapter of the Ordinances of the Common Council, for the names of the persons who may have been with such Machine at the time and that they [42] hand the same, together with the facts of the case to the Attorney of the Board for prosecution.

Resolved, that the Committee on the Fire Department be and is hereby empowered to place a large Lock of a description that cannot be opened by night keys on every Engine House, and that no person be allowed to have a key, except a member of the Company.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be directed to furnish Copies of the above Resolutions to the Departments whose duty it will be to see them inforced.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers
W Scott
P. W Engs.

Which was approved the Resolution adopted and ordered to be published in the papers employed by the Board.

The Police Committee to whom was referred back their former Report on the Inspection of unslacked Lime presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table.

[43] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Higgs to be relieved from a fine for selling Liquor without Licence presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Higgs to be relieved from a Fine—Report.

That the Petitioner applied for a Licence on the 8th March last, and it is believed there was no objection to granting him a Licence, his money was paid on the same day at the Mayors Office, the Licence was not however signed by the Aldermen or taken out until the 17th March. On the 15th of March seven or eight days after he had paid his money, he was sued, and being taken at night as late as 11 OClock he was put in Jail—The Committee think he should be relieved and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Attorney of the Board refund to Petitioner the Penalty and Costs paid by Petitioner in the suit referred to.

Samuel Stevens
David Bryson
Peter J Nevius
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

[44] The Police Committee to whom was referred the subject of drawing Lotteries in front of the City Hall presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of P. W Engs Esq[r] relating to the drawing of the Lottery in front of the City Hall. Report.

That if it was in the power of the Corporation to exclude the drawing of Lotteries, Your Committee would recommend such prohibition. But this not being the case, it only remains to say whether the Lotteries shall be drawn at the Hall.

Your Committee admit that the Lotteries should be drawn in a public place, but consider that the rear of the Hall, would answer all the purposes of publicity, and be less inconvenient to persons approaching the Hall, than in Front, and therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that hereafter the drawing of Lotteries in front of the City Hall be prohibited but that the Managers thereof be permitted to draw the same in the rear of the Hall.

Samuel Stevens
David Bryson
Peter J Nevius
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[45] The Police Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Seacord complaining of disorderly persons Gambling &c in the 12[th] Ward on the Sabbath presented the following Report.

The Police Committee to whom the Petition of Samuel Secord was referred Report.

That the Petitioners complains of violations of the Sabbath "by gambling drinking and other indecent and improper conduct in the 12[th] Ward.

Your Committee believe, that as there is ample Law on the subject of the Complaint they presume that all that is necessary is for the Petitioner to point out the violations of the Law, and the abuses referred to, to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward, and they will be remedied.

They recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Petition of Samuel Seacord complaining of Gambling, indecent and other improper practices in the 12th Ward be referred to the Alderman and Assistant of that Ward, with a request that they should remedy the same

Samuel Stevens
David Bryson
Peter J Nevius
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[46] The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for Office of Measurer of Charcoal presented the following Report in favor of appointing James Scott.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom had been referred the several Petitions for the Office of Inspector of Charcoal.

Respectfully Report

That there is one vacancy and recommend to the Common Council M[r] James Scott as a proper person to fill that Office, and recommend the following Resolution for adoption.

Resolved that James Scott be and he is hereby appointed an Inspector of Charcoal in the place of William Anderson Resigned.

Respectfully submitted

B. J Meserole
Peter J Nevius
John Lovett.

Which was approved the Resolution adopted and James Scott was accordingly appointed.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions for the Office of Measurer of Grain presented the following Report in favor of appointing Jeremiah W Vanderbilt.

[47] The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Measurer of Grain Respectfully Report.

That they have duly considered the several Petitions, and have concluded to recommend Mr Jeremiah W Van Derbilt as a proper person to fill that Office and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Jeremiah W Van Derbilt be and he is hereby appointed a Measurer of Grain &c

Respectfully submitted

B. J. Meserole
Peter J Nevius
John Lovett

Which was approved the Resolution adopted, and he was accordingly appointed a Measurer of Grain &c

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions for Office of City Weigher presented the following Report in favor of appointing James Archer.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of City Weigher Respectfully Report.

That they have duly considered all the Petitions before them, there being one vacancy they would recommend to the Common Council James [48] Archer as a suitable person to fill that vacancy and submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that James Archer be and he is hereby appointed a City Weigher in the place of Robert Dingee Resigned.

Respectfully submitted.

B J Meserole
Peter J Nevius
John Lovett

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly appointed.

The Committee on Arts and Sciences and on Repairs presented a Report on the subject of the Public Clock to be erected in the Cupola of the City Hall which was read and referred back to the same Committees.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the subject of constructing Drains or Sewers at the foot of Delancy street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Canal Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Resolution to have drains or Sewers constructed at the foot of Delancy street, that in their opinion temporary Sewers are much required at that

place, as that [49] part of the Street having been recently filled in, is not at present in a State that would be proper to pave on, not being sufficiently settled and firm for that purpose, they would therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that one or more Sewers be built of wooden Materials and placed in Delancy street between Goerck street and the Bulkhead, at Tompkins street

Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Isaac Brown
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard F Carman and others to have the sewer under Stone street opened presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Richard F Carman and others setting forth that the common Sewer in Stone street is obstructed or decayed and their Cellars inundated with water, and request that such measures may be adopted as shall afford relief in the premises.

On which your Committee respectfully

Report

[50] That in their Opinion the constructing of a small Sewer of durable materials would be proper, in order that the relief may be afforded which is asked for by the Petitioners.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Carriage way of Stone be repaved (after the Sewer is built) between Mill street and Broad street as it is much required, the greater part will be broken up in constructing the Sewer—They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that a Drain or Sewer be built of suitable dimensions in Stone street from near Coenties Alley to the Common Sewer in Broad street.

Resolved that so much of the Carriage way of Stone street as may be necessary be repaved between William street and Broad street.

Henry Arcularius
George D Strong
Isaac Brown
P. W Engs.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Special Committee to whom it was referred to make enquiry and Report how far the Public Administrator has fulfilled the [51] duties of his Office presented the following Report.

The Special Committee to whom it was referred to make enquiry and Report how far the Public Administrator has complied with the Laws of the State and Regulations adopted by the Common Council in relation to the duties of his Office.

Beg leave to Report

That in making the enquiry committed to their charge they have examined the Comptroller and present Surrogate, as well as the Public Administrator himself, and they have discovered no reason to doubt that in performing the duties of his Office, the Public Administrator has in all respects within his power, complied with the Laws of the State and the Regulations adopted in relation to such Office by the Common Council. They would state however that as yet no Bond with sureties as required by the Revised Statutes has been given; Mr Miller the present incumbent having entered upon the duties of the Office before the Revised Statutes went into operation, and no new appointment having been made since, And such new Appointment being deemed necessary to obtain the benefit of the sureties prescribed by those Statutes. It is due to Mr Miller to say that he professes himself ready to give such Bond with sureties whenever it may be proper or he may be required so to do, And the Committee are of [52] opinion that the Revised Statutes should be complied with in this respect without further delay.

The Committee having performed the duty assigned to them beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that this Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the Matter referred to them.

Bernard J Meserole
James I Roosevelt Jr
B M Brown
Thomas Jeremiah.
Jona Seymour

Which was Approved the Resolution adopted, and they were discharged from the further consideration of the Matter referred to them. Mr Roosevelt then moved a Resolution that the Common Council will go into the Appointment of a Public Administrator at the next Meeting of the Board. Alderman Stevens moved that the Board now proceed to the appointment of Public Administrator The question was taken on Mr Roosevelts motion and the Ayes and noes being equal the Mayor

gave his casting Vote in the Affirmative, so the Resolution proposed by Mr Roosevelt that the Board will at their next Meeting go into the appointment of Public Administrator was carried in the Affirmative.

[53] The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in North street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have a Well & Pump placed in North street between Pitt and Willett streets Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in North street between Pitt and Willett streets.

David Marsh
Fyler Dibblee
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For paving 13th Street from the 3d Avenue to the Kill Road and John Targee Abraham Quick and Reuben Munson were appointed Assessors.

[54] For paving the Side walks of Madison street from Pike street to Grand street and Thomas R Smith, Jedediah B Leister and John Slidell were appointed Assessors.

For paving the Eighth Avenue from 13th to 21st Street and Abraham Bloodgood, Cornelius J Roosevelt and Pine Hopkins were Appointed Assessors.

For paving Weehawken street and Abraham Baudoine, Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in North street between Pitt and Willet streets and John Leonard Alpheus Sherman and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessor.

Alderman Nevius presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor cause the obstruction on the North side of Liberty street at the corner of Broadway to be immediately removed.

[55] Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that the Alderman of the 13th Ward be added to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that Five hundred Copies of the Act in relation to Fires and the Fire Department of this City be printed for the use of the Fire Department of this City.

Mr Engs presented the following which was referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward and Street Commissioner with Powers.

Resolved that Bridge Stones of proper width be placed at the corner of Grand street where it intersects Mulberry street, Mott street, and Elizabeth street.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that the property known as the "Corporation Yard" is a suitable Location for a Bridewell and that the Committees on the Jail & Bridewell and Police be directed to furnish to [56] this Board, an estimate of the expenditure, necessary for the erection of a suitable building for this purpose together with the plan proposed.

A Motion was made to lay the same on the Table, which was lost. A Motion to refer it back to the Joint Committees was also made and Negatived. Mr Roosevelt then moved the previous question which was negatived.

It was then moved that the question be divided and taken of the first part of the Resolution Viz "that the property known as the Corporation Yard is a suitable location for a Bridewell" which was agreed to. Alderman B M Brown moved to strike out the words "Corporation yard" and insert. "Penitentiary at Bellevue." A Motion was then made to Adjourn which was lost.

The Question was then taken on Alderman B. M Browns motion to strike out and it was Negatived. The question was then taken on the Resolution as divided and was carried in the Affirmative. The question was then taken on the whole Resolution and it was carried in the Affirmative. Alderman B M Brown gave Notice of reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board.

[57] The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account.

Balance as per Actt 19 April		798.71
Recd for Tax of 1829		37.050.
"	Streets	3.148.24
"	Cleaning Streets for April	1.482.90
"	Fines of Attorney	598.83
"	Commutation Alien Passengers	347.50

Recd for Arrears of Tax	203.11
" Mayoralty fees	87.75
" Wells & Pumps	19.60
" Docks & Slips	5.
	$43.741.64

99 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist			1386.
Asten & Field " 2d "			994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "			945.
J Morton Clerk C C	1 Qur Salary	1 May	500.
Abm B Martling Keeper City Hall	"	"	250.
H Storms Inspector of Hacks	"	2d	200.
John Ahern Clerk Mayors Office	"	1st	125.
O Ayres & J Coffen Asst City Inspectors	1 Mo	"	117.
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers City Hall	"	"	75.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield	"	"	67.50
David J Burger regulating 4 City Clocks	1 Qr	"	50.
C Gillinan Keeper Battery	1 Mo	"	37.50
A McCready " Park	"	"	37.50
[58] J. C Osborn Keeper Washington Square	"	"	22.50
Thos Asten St Inspector 1st Ward	"	"	45.
T Woolcocks " 2d "	"	"	45.
J. B Ebbetts " 3d "	"	"	45.
N B Lyon " 4th "	"	"	45.
I A Isaacs " 5th "	"	"	45.
Wm H Sparks " 6th	5 days in April		7.50
Anthony Morris " 6	25 day	do	37.50
F Gantz " 7	1 Mo	1 May	45.
Wm G Babb " 8	"	"	45.
H B Roome " 9	"	"	45.
T Austin " 10	"	"	45.
A Hatfield " 11	"	"	45.
E Kingsland " 12	"	"	45.
D Hubbard " 13	"	"	45.
P. Field " 14	"	"	45.
A B Martling Expences at City Hall	1 Qr	"	403.77
Jas Campbell for Books & fixtures in Surrogates Office			271.32
J Morton Clerk for Hack & Postage Actts			89.25
Ald Dibblee Expences to Albany on public business with Ald Stevens			51.
J Pinckney & A Parker Assts Board of Health	1 Mo	1 May	104.
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removg Nuisances	"	"	23.31
G Duryea Clerk Fulton Market & Sweeper	"	"	87.86
J Bremner Clerk Cath Market	"	"	60.
J Gilbert Clerk Clinton & Greenwich	"	"	55.
S Fleet Clerk Centre	"	"	48.
[59] R Smith Clerk Franklin Market	"	"	37.50
J Seaman " Manhattan	"	"	30.

J Hammond	Justice	1. 2. 3 Wards	1 Qu[r]	Salary 1 May	400.
E Morrell	"	4. 6 "	"	"	400.
H Meigs	"	5. 8. 14	"	"	400.
H Scovell	"	7. 10. 13	"	"	400.
E. T. Pinckney	"	9. 11	"	"	400.
D M Cowdrey	Clerk	1. 2. 3 Wards	1 Qu[r]	Salary 1 May	187.50
Geo Betts	"	4. 6	"	"	187.50
J. Campbell	"	5. 8. 14	"	"	187.50
Ja[s] Lozier	"	7. 10. 13	"	"	187.50
R L Jaques	"	9. 11	"	"	187.50
W[m] Young	Rent for Court	4. 6 Wards	"	"	32.50
W[m] M Whitaker	"	7. 10. 13	"	"	25.
Daniel Aim	"	9. 11	"	"	25.
D. T. Valentine	Marshal Marine Court		1 Mo	"	32.50

J Fleming Treas[r] Am[t] p[d] Witnesses ordered by Court..... 5.
Samuel Judd 26 Casks Oil..... 1368.96
J Macy & Son 9 Casks do..... 289.71
G Snethen Lighting Lamps 1 Mo 1 May..... 1333.99
R Provoost painting & Glazing Lamps & Gas Lights 1 Mo 1 May 111.87
Layman & C[o] setting Lamp Posts &c 1 Q[r] " 61.67
Elias Hatfield 2 Lamps " 4.50
John M Bloodgood Superd[t] Streets Expences for April... 2708.99
John M Bloodgood D[o] 1 Q[r] Salary 1 May... 375.
Charles Dobbs Ass[t] D[o] " " ... 250.
John F Sibell Stationary 3[d] Jan[y] to 1 May..... 343.91
[60] Dailey Advertiser Subscription 6 Mo to 1 May..... 50.
Mercantile Advertiser do D[o] " ..... 50.
C Brown Books &c for Mayors Office..... 33.75
Ab[m] Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 2[d] May..... 125.69
T Cumings Act[t] reg 21[st] S[t] fm 5[th] Avenue to Hudson River 500.
John Watts aw[d] for surplus Earth 21[st] S[t] between 3[d] & 5[th] Avenues 358.72
A Quin bal reg & pav[g] Charles S[t] fm Washington to West S[t] 199.99
A Quin bal do Amos S[t] fm do do 180.64
J Lyon Act[t] pav[g] Greenwich fm Bank S[t] to Kill Road..... 170.
T Cummings Act[t] reg 6[th] Avenue fm 13 to 21[st] St..... 150.
Cath L Duane bal for surplus earth 21[st] S[t] b[n] 3[d] & 5[th] Avenue 140.78
R Pettigrew Act[t] pav[d] Sidewalks Bowery 4 to 13[th] Streets. 140.
T Cummings Act[t] pav[g] 6 Avenue fm 6[th] to 13[th] S[t]..... 120.
S Fargay bal repav[g] Pearl fm Chatham to Cross [st]..... 25.31
H Cochran bal repav[g] Liberty S[t] fm Broadway to William S[t]..... 10.
W[m] Gee posting bills for S[t] Com[r]..... 26.85
Patten & Burgess bal build[g] Pier Charles S[t]..... 2797.75
J Gallagher Jun[r] bal Well Henry near Scammel S[t]..... 32.58
R Graves S[t] Com[r] Act[t] repairs Roads..... 500.

R Graves do Act^{t} working 86th S^{t} fm 3^{d} Avenue to E River	500.	
R Graves D^{o} Act^{t} Expences Public Lands & Places..	250.	
Mark Richards Iron pipes for Public Reservoir.....	850.50	
Geo: W Skelloru & 2 Dep^{s} 1 Q^{r} Salary 1 May Keeper City Prison	500.	
W^{m} Rockwell Physician City Prison 1 Qu^{r} 1 May.....	75.	
Arthur Burtis Super Alms House for New Penitentiary...	3000.	
A Burtis do for Alms House.....	5000.	
[61] J. Fleming. Treas^{r} to pay Interest City Stock 1 Q^{r} 1 May	8750.	
S Jones Chief Justice Superior Court 1 Q^{r} Salary 1 May	625.	
J. O Hoffman Justice D^{o} " "	625.	
T. J Oakley D^{o} " " "	625.	
Richard Varick Rent for Court 1. 2. 3 ward 1 Q^{r} "	60.	
S Stilwell rent of ground for Engine N^{o} 15 in Chrystie S^{t} 1 year "	40.	
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo 1 May.....	80.67	43.197.34
	Balance	$544.30

Board Adjourned to Monday the 17th day of May next at 5 OClock P M.

[62] In Common Council May 17. 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esq^{r} Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt J^{r}
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadel
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

A Communication from Henry Brevoort J^{r} Commissioner of Common School Fund of 1st Ward also from Isaac Dyckman Commissioner of Common [63] School fund of the 12th Ward severally resigning said Offices, which were read, the Resignations accepted and referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the respective Wards.

A Petition of Abraham Guest for the Office of Measurer of Coal Grain &c was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The Clerk of the Common Council presented a Return of persons holding Offices under the Common Council who have reported themselves between the 1st & 15th of May Inst agreeable to a Resolution of the Board, the same was read and that part relative to the Office of Wood Inspectors was referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips, and the remaining part to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The Monthly return of the Keeper of the City Prison agreeably to an Ordinance of the Corporation of persons confined therein, was read and ordered to be filed.

A Petition of James Halsey & others to have the side walks of Norfolk street between Rivington & North streets paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[64] A Petition of James Boscawen and others for paving the Side walks of 2d Avenue from 1st to 2d Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of the Mechanics and working men of the 5th Ward in favor of an Election in the said Ward to fill the Office of Alderman in the place of David Rogers Esqr who is absent from the City was read, A motion was made to lay the same on the Table, A Division being called by Alderman I Brown it was carried in the Affirmative, the members voting as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Strong B M Brown Wells Meserole Marsh Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt [65] Seymour Mandeville Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Dibblee Cooper 22.

In the Negative Ald Stevens I Brown Seaman Mr Engs 4

A Petition of Lawrence V De Forrest and others, to have Stone street from Whitehall to Broad street repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of John Yates Cebra & others against building a Sewer in Stone street & re-paving the same from Coenties Alley to Broad street was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of Samuel S Gray and others praying for certain alterations in the Law relating to Hackney Coaches, was read and referred to the Law & Police Committees.

[65A] A Petition of Mary McCormick to be permitted to have a part of her House at the corner of Elm & Pearl street remain on the

Street the same having been ordered to be removed on or before the 20th Inst was read and referred to the Street Committee with powers.

A Memorial was received signed Richard Vaughn, and as stated in the Memorial to be in behalf of many Mechanics requesting permission to Fire a National Salute on Wednesday morning in the Arsenal yard or such place as the Common Council may direct to celebrate the success of their Political principles, in New London Newark, Wilmington, Albany, Troy & Philadelphia, the same having been read, a Motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was lost. A motion was made by Alderman Stevens to refer it to the Committee on Lands & Places with powers which was lost. Alderman Seaman then moved that the request of the Petition be granted, and the Salute be fired on the Battery which was agreed to.

It was afterward re-considered and the subject was referred to the Police Committee with powers. Mr Roosevelt gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting.

[66] A Petition of John Morss for a Gore of Ground adjoining his property on 12th Street between Broadway & the Bowery Road was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of R Pettigrew for the balance due him for paving 9th 10th 11th & 12th Streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John and Thomas T Morrell praying that Two Lots of ground at the Village of Williamsburgh may be sold to them was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A Petition of William B Crosby and others praying for the widening of Cherry street from New Slip to the New Market was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Richard Hatfield for Compensation for services rendered by Order of the Board as Clerk of the Special Sessions was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Jeremiah Gray proposing to improve the grounds on which the Debtors Prison is erected with Trees Shrubbery &c was read and [67] referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A Petition of Francis E Phelps proposing a plan for supplying the the City with Water for the purpose of extinguishing Fires and also for Domestic purposes was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department and the Water Committee.

A Petition of Fire Engine Company No 46 to be allowed the usual complement of members, was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of William W Chester & others remonstrating against the Location of the Bridewell on the Collect ground was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Joshua L Pell for the Office of Public Administrator was read and laid on the Table.

A Petition of John Ireland & others praying to have the Gates of the Washington Parade ground kept closed in order to protect the Trees shrubbery &c was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places

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[68] A Petition of Henry Hoffman, David Marsh Jr John C Turcot and John L Cregier severally for the Office of Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court for the 5th 8th & 14th Wards, were read and laid on the Table.

A Petition of Leonard Kip praying for permission to lay a pipe from the Well & Pump corner Bleecker & Wooster street to his house on said corner was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Daniel J Westervelt and others to have Burton street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Lawrence Wiseburn for Stall formerly occupied by C Gillman in Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Sarah Mills to have the 5th Avenue opened and regulated from 21st Street to Bloomingdale Road, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of George W Murray praying that the Common Council may purchase from him a Well and Pump in 12th Street near Broadway was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

[69] A Petition of M Dougherty to be exonerated from his Contract of Lease of Districts N° 4 & 7 of the Public Wharves & Slips was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the 14th Ward to have an evil remedied which is caused in Consequence of the riotous Assembleage of Boys at the Engine House N° 48 was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Jacob Weiss & others to pave 21st Street from 6th Avenue to the Hudson River was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of John J Astor & others against opening 6th

Street from Broadway to the Bowery was read and Laid on the Table.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and Appointments made. Viz[t]

Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 2

Edgar Morris Carpenter 155 Mott S[t] V[c] Henry Uested—Resigned

[70] N[o] 3.

John Ellis Grocer, Broome Co Mott S[t] To fill Company

N[o] 5.

Joseph B Trulock Accountant 58 Maiden Lane
V[c] James J. M Valentine. Resigned
William H Colyer Printer 86 Hester S[t]
V[c] William R Corvin—Resigned.

N[o] 6.

Edmund Pendleton Coach painter 328 Washington S[t]
V[c] Daniel Thorn—Resigned

N[o] 12.

William Johnson Carpenter 240 Walker S[t]
To fill the Company.

N[o] 19.

Josiah Terry Mason 126 Eldridge S[t] To fill the Company
Abraham Werneken Tinman 75 Chrystie S[t]
V[c] Samuel Homan Resigned

N[o] 20.

James Bogert Clerk 40 Crosby S[t] V[c] To fill Company.

N[o] 28

Joseph G Stanton—Cordwainer 35 Lispenard S[t]
V[c] Norris Hicks—Resigned

N[o] 29

Henry Cox Cartman 7 Commerce S[t] }
Thomas Cox Cartman 7 Commerce S[t] } To fill Company.

[71] N[o] 30

John Roberts Tin Smith 40 Stanton S[t]
V[c] *Joseph* [Joshua] Rich Resigned

N° 33

Richard Fowler Steam Engineer 45 Norfolk S^t^
V^c^ *Charles* [Clark] Peckham. App^d^ Warden

N° 36

Frederick L Linch Carpenter 42 King S^t^
V^c^ George Kent Resigned
George A Harriott Carpenter 557 Greenwich S^t^
V^c^ Henry Duncan Resigned

N° 37.

Peter W Clayton—Grate Maker 137 Bowery
V^c^ F R Lee Resigned

N° 40

Elias Dunshee—Engraver 233 Bowery To fill Company.
Thomas Trotter—Cordwainer 126 Mulberry S^t^
V^c^ Charles H Moffat—Resigned
Michael OConner Mason 18 Canal S^t^
V^c^ Richard M *Demill* [Demilt] Resigned
Henry M^c^Kee—Carpenter 137 Mulberry S^t^
V^c^ Augustin J Battin Resigned

N° 46.

Charles Taylor Piano Fort Maker 26 S^t^ near 3^d^ Avenue
V^c^ Joseph Snyder Resigned

[72] N° 42

Alfred Moon Stone Cutter 14 Batavia S^t^
John Burger Cooper 111 Mulberry S^t^
Henry Bross Plumber—Walker S^t^
Jacob S Chapman Cabinet Maker Roosevelt S^t^ } To fill the Company.
George Brown Cabinet Maker 11 Mulberry S^t^
James Hedges—Blind Maker Crosby S^t^

Fire Hook & Ladder C^o^

N° 2

William D Lord Carpenter 50 Chrystie S^t^
V^c^ Bradley S Wiggins—Time Expired
John C Rowland Carpenter 169 Orange S^t^
V^c^ Benjamin D Yates D^o^

Fire Wardens C^o^

3^d^ Ward.

Peter R Warner—Clerk 192 Greenwich S^t^
V^c^ Jesse Foshay—Resigned.

7th Ward

Benjamin Fuller—Rigger 33 Norfolk St

Vc George Greig—Time Expired.

[*74] 8th Ward.

William Buckland Builder cr Amity St & Amity Lane

Vc John Hinton Time Expired

Richard M *Demill* [Demilt]—Merchant 158 Mott St

Vc Garret T Beekman Do

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances correcting Nuisances Vizt

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No					
	1. Alfred Wagstaff	Owner	26 Pell St		Privy
	2. Peter Lorillard	"	83 Hester St		Do
	3. Alexander Campbell	"	502 Pearl St		Do
	4. Whitehead Hicks	"	522 Grand St		Do
	5. Francis Hanratty	"	524 "		Do
	6. J Townsend	"	221 Mulberry St		Do
	7. Mary Rodgers	"	30 Willet		Do
	8. Benjamin Ogden	"	60 Elizabeth		Do
	9. Do	"	160 Hester		Do
	10. E. J. Moore	"	Broome St cor Sheriff		Do
	11. Wm McIlwain	"	39 Lawrence St		Do
	12. Do	"	41 Do		Do
	13. William Edmonds	"	13 Sul[l]ivan St		Do
	14. Elbridge Maltby	"	529 Broome St		Do
	15. Do	"	531 "		Do
	16. [Henry] Yates	"	11 Sullivan		Do
	17. Michael Garney	"	505 Grand St		Do
	18. [75] Robert Bogardus	"	281 Water St		Do
	19. James Williams	"	N W side Mercer		Cow Stable
	20. Francis Secor	"	N Side Broome St		A Lot
	21. Pattison Jolly	"	N side Grand St		Cow Stable
	22. Thomas Thomas	"	between Lewis St & Avenue D		Lot
	23. R Havens	"	Southerly side 5th St		"
	24. Abraham R Lyster	"	W side Green St		Cow Stable
	25. John J Astor	"	S side Hamersly St		Lots
	26. Curtis Hitchcock	"	Easterly side 6 Avenue		"
	27. Alexr L Stewart	"	Hudson cor Laight St		"
	28. E. J. Moore	"	Broome cor Sheriff St		"
	29. John W Hyatt	"	S side Forsyth St		Alley
	30. Alexr Ogilvie	"	" "		"
	31. Frederick Ridaback	"	" "		"
	32. John F Delaplaine	"	N side Madison		Lot
	33. Wm G Post	"	" "		"
	34. "	"	Mulberry Cor Houston		Lots

* Clerk's error in numbering.—Ed.

35. Robert Mathison	Owner	Mott cor Houston	Lots
36. Wm G Post	"	cor Houston Mott & Elizth	"
37. Benjn Winthrop	"	E side Ludlow	Lot
38. Est of Wm Lawrence	"	256 Front St	Yard
39. Wm I Furman	"	N side Batavia	Lot
40. Charles McEvers	"	Broome cor Thompson	Lots
41. Saml L Gouverneur	"	W side Governeur	"
42. Louisa Verplank	"	"	"
43. Maria C Gouverneur	"	"	"
44. Edwd N Bibby	"	"	"
45. [76] Robert Tillotson	"	"	"
46. Chs M Graham	"	5th St cor of Eleventh St	Plot of ground
47. Saml Haskill	"	Bloomingdale Road	"
48. John J Astor	"	"	Lots
49. Henry Brevoort	"	"	"
50. Mrs Mott	"	"	"
51. John Morse	"	4 Lispenard	Privy

I Warren City Inspector.

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in a Cellar Hole fronting on Shirleys Alley between Mangin & Goerck street at the Public expence, which was read & passed.

The Counsel presented the following Report that the Commissioners appointed for opening 17th Street have resigned and recommending an Application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners.

The Counsel of the Board begs leave respectfully to Report

That in the matter of opening Seventeenth street from the Sixth Avenue to the Bloomingdale Road, and from the Bloomingdale Road to the Third Avenue, the Commissioners Gideon Tucker, John Leonard and Thomas R [77] Smith have resigned their appointment. It becomes necessary for the Board to pass a Resolution authorising a new application to be made to the Supreme Court for the appointment of other Commissioners in their places. The following Resolution is therefore respectfully submitted for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board make application to the Supreme Court or one of the Judges thereof, for the appointment of Commissioners in the matter of opening 17th Street in the place of Messrs Smith Tucker and Leonard resigned, and that the Clerk authenticate the necessary papers during the recess of the Board.

R Emmet.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Comptroller presented a Report stating that he had examined the Accounts of the Treasurer for 6 Months to the 1st Inst also his

accounts as Commissioner of the Sinking Fund for the same period, and that he had found them Correct was read and ordered to be filed.

The Comptroller presented for the approbation of the Board a Release of Quit Rent on a Water Lot between Courtlandt and Liberty Streets [78] granted to Edward Bardin on the 10th February 1804 which has been commuted for by Daniel Clark was ordered to be executed during the recess of the Board

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For a Well & Pump in 10th Street near the 6th Avenue and Jameson Cox appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in 10th Street midway between the 5th & 6th Avenues and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented a Communication stating that Samuel Thompson the Contractor for the earth on the 8th Avenue had neglected to pay into the Office the monies due from him the same having been read was referred to the Counsel of the Board with powers.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the New York Dispensary for their annual Donation of $600, presented the following Report in favor of the same

[79] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the New York Dispensary for their annual appropriation of Six hundred dollars for the Vaccine Department.

Respectfully Report.

The following Resolution—Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of Lindley Murray Treasurer of the New York Dispensary for Six hundred Dollars for the Vaccine Department of that Institution.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of David V Smith to purchase a Gore of Land at the South West corner of Bowery Road & 14th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Commitee to whom was referred the application of David V Smith to purchase a Gore of Land at the Southerly corner of the Bowery Road and Fourteenth street

Respectfully Report

[80] That the said Gore became the property of the Corporation by the proceedings for opening Fourteenth street and adjoins the property of the Petitioner. The Committee after due enquiry have put the value of Twenty five Dollars upon the said Gore, and they recommend that the same be sold to Mr Smith for that amount and the expences of the Deed. They offer the following resolution therefore.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said premises to the said David V Smith on the above terms and that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
G Lee
B M Brown
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Wood Jr for the purchase of a piece of Ground formerly part of Ann street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom [81] was referred the Petition of John Wood Junr for the purchase of a piece of ground formerly part of Ann street respectfully Report.

That the said piece of ground became the property of the Corporation by the late proceedings for widening and improving Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street, at the estimated value of Eighty dollars, and that the same adjoins the property of the Petitioners wife, lying between it and the Street. They are of opinion that it ought to be sold to the parties owning such adjoining property for the above price, and the expences of the Deed. And they offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said Gore to the legal owners of the Land adjoining, and in the rear of the same on the terms above mentioned, and that such deed be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
G Lee
B M Brown
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom [82] was referred the Petition of Hugh Maxwell for the purchase of a Gore of Land on the South West side of Cedar street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Hugh Maxwell for the purchase of a Gore of Land on the South westerly side of Cedar street Respectfully Report

That the said Gore became vested in the Corporation by the late proceedings for opening Cedar street from William to Pearl street at the price of $607, since which it has been Assessed for paving Cedar street and for widening William street, making the whole amount with interest, at which it now stands the Corporation $665.72. The Committee have been informed that Mr Maxwell is the Lessee of the adjacent Land with the privilege of purchasing the same and that he intends so to [do]. They recommend therefore, that when he shall have completed his Title to the said adjacent property, the said Gore be sold to him for the amount which the same has cost the Corporation, with interest calculated thereon to such time, and they offer the following Resolution accordingly.

Resolved that whenever Mr Maxwell shall have obtained a legal title in fee to the [83] premises adjacent to the Gore applied for by him and shall satisfy the Counsel of the Board thereof, the said Counsel shall be authorized to prepare a Deed to him for the said Gore upon the terms herein before mentioned, he paying also the expences of such Deed, And that the said Deed may be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
G Lee
B M Brown
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Executors of the estate of Samuel Norsworthy for a Gore of Land formerly part of Ann street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Hall and William B Skidmore Executors &c of Samuel Norsworthy deceased for the purchase of a Gore of land formerly part of Ann street Respectfully Report.

That the said Gore consists of pieces of Land adjoining each other

which became the property of the Corporation by the late proceedings [84] for widening and improving Ann street between Broadway and Nassau street, the estimated value of one of said pieces being $52, and of the other $39, making together $91, That the adjacent Land (between which the Street and the Gore in question lies) belongs to the estate of the said Samuel Norsworthy deceased, and the Committee are of opinion therefore that the said Gore should be sold to representatives of the said Estate at the above price, they paying the expences of the Deed. They offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed for the said premises to the Petitioners as Executors of Samuel Norsworthy for the above mentioned sum, and the expences of such Deed, And that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
G Lee
B M Brown
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of the Northern Dispensary for their Annual Donation [85] presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Finance Committee respectfully Report the following Resolution on the Petition of the Trustees of the Northern Dispensary for the Annual Donation of Two hundred Dollars.

Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favor of John Groshon Treasurer of the Northern Dispensary for Two hundred Dollars

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Langley for reduction of Ground Rent on Lot of ground on Chatham street presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Langley for reduction of Rent on a Lot of ground on Chatham street respectfully

Report

That the rent was fixed in April 1829 by Arbitratiors appointed by the Corporation, and the Lessee, and as the Committee think it would be improper to interfere in the premises, they recommend [86] the following Resolution

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
G Lee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Haight John P Barker, William Hill, James Hartell Mathew H Chace Joshua S Place & Benjamin Ward for transfer of Stalls presented the following Report in favor of the several Petitions.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of William Haight, John P Barker, William Hill, James Hartell Mathew H Chace, Joshua S Place & Benjamin Ward for transfer of Stalls respectfully Report

That the said Petitions are accompanied with requisite testimonials of Character or are known to your Committee to be proper persons to receive a Licence.

They offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

[87] Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted
to James H Hawes for Stall N° 18 Clinton Market
to John P Barker for Stall N° 9 Greenwich Market
to William Hill for Stall N° 16 Catharine Market
to James W Hartell for Stall N° 52 Washington Market
to Mathew H Chace for Stall N° 33 Washington Market
to Benjamin Ward for Stall N° 4 Grand street Market
to Joshua S Place for Stall N° 5 Grand street Market

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
David Marsh
W Seaman
B. J. Meserole
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ann T Banker to be relieved from an erroneous Assessment presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ann T Banker to be relieved from an erroneous Assessment

Respectfully Report

That Mrs Banker [testified] to the fact of her being Assessed for personal property in the Fifth ward and that she is worth no personal property.

[88] Although Mrs Banker was in Town during the period that the Assessors Books were open; Yet as she is an aged woman who was not previously taxed for *his* [her] personal property, the Committee believe her entitled to relief, as the Assessors certificate annexed confirms her statement.

The Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the personal Tax of Anne T Banker in the Fifth ward be remitted.

George D Strong
Thos Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
W Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter D Demarest to be relieved from an erroneous tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Peter D Demarest to be relieved from an erroneous Tax.

Respectfully Report.

That Mr Demarest appeared before the Committee and affirmed that he was Assessed [89] for his personal property in the 9th Ward on $900, which he was exempt from in consequence of his doing duty in the Horse Artillery.

He further stated that he called on the Assessors during the period that their Books were open and that his Tax was then erased.

The Certificate of the Assessors merely states that they were unaware of the fact that Mr Demarest belonged to the Horse Artillery, but as he affirms that he called on them, and that they erased the Tax, the Committee feel bound to grant the desired relief.

They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the personal Tax of Peter D Demarest in the 9th Ward be remitted.

George D Strong
Thos Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Halliday to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Robert Halliday for [90] relief from an erroneous Tax

Respectfully Report

That Mr Halliday appeared before the Committee and testified that he had been Taxed on his property at the corner of Greenwich & Bank streets, twice and that the Tax on the said property in Greenwich street is erroneous. The Certificate of the Assessors corroborates his statement & the Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax on the property of Robert Halliday in Greenwich street in the 9th Ward amounting to $25, be remitted

George D Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
W Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of David Cudlip to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of David Cudlipp to be relieved from an erroneous Tax Respectfully

[91] Report

That it appears by the Statement of Mr Cudlipp & the Certificate of the Assessors that he was Taxed for his House in Mulberry street in the 14th Ward on $2,200, but that by a mistake it was Copied in the

Collectors Book $3,200. As the mistake is fully acknowledged, the Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of David Cudlipp in the 14th Ward on his House N° 247 Mulberry street be reduced from that on $3,200 to that on $2,200. and that the surplus be placed among the Errors of Taxes for 1829.

George D Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jon[a] Seymour
W Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ab[m] R Pattison to be relieved from the payment of Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Ab[m] R Pattison to be relieved from an erroneous Tax Respectfully

[92] Report

That M[r] Pattison appeared before the Committee and testified that he was Assessed on his personal property in the 14th Ward on $500, which he was exempt from, in consequence of his doing duty in the Artillery.

He further stated that he was never before assessed for his property being a poor man and occupying but a small portion of the House in which he resided; and that he therefore was totally ignorant of the Law which regulates Assessments.

Your Committee believing from the statement of M[r] Pattison and the Certificate of the Assessors, that he is entitled to relief, offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the personal Tax of Abraham R Pattison in the 14th Ward be and the same is hereby remitted.

George D Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jon[a] Seymour
W Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Martha Knox [93] to be relieved from payment of personal Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Martha Knox to be relieved from an erroneous Tax respectfully

Report

That Mrs Knox appeared before the Committee and testified that she was taxed in the 10th Ward on $2000 personal property, that she was worth no personal estate and that she had never been previously taxed for personal property. She further stated that she was in Town during the period that the Assessors Books were open, but did not know of the fact that application should be made for relief to the Assessors; and that being a widow she did not anticipate the Assessment, as she had for several years resided at the same place and never was taxed for her personal property before. The Committee believing Mrs Knox entitled to relief offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the personal Tax of Martha Knox in the 10th Ward be remitted.

George D Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[94] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of James Johnson to be relieved from an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of James Johnson to be relieved from an erroneous Tax

Respectfully Report.

That Mr Johnson appeared before the Committee and testified that he was taxed for his personal property in the 14th Ward on $1000, and that he is not worth any personal property. He further stated that he was not aware of the fact that relief could be obtained of the Assessors having never been taxed before, nor had he any Idea of being taxed at this time.

As Mr Johnson appeared to be a poor man who was totally unacquainted with the Laws, the Committee believe him entitled to Relief. They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the personal Tax of James Johnson in the 14th Ward on $1000, be and the same is hereby remitted.

George D. Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jon[a] Seymour
[95] William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Andrew Curtis & others to be relieved from an Assessment for a Well & Pump in 20th Street corner of 8th Avenue presented the following Report against the same

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Andrew Curtis & others to be relieved from an Assessment for a Well & Pump in 20th Street corner of 8th Avenue

Respectfully Report.

That M[r] Curtis appeared before the Committee and stated that Six owners of property in the vicinity made application to the Common Council for permission to dig a Well and erect a Pump at their own expence. That in consequence of the Petition interfering with the rights of the remonstrants, they were thereby induced to remain neutral in regard to the said application, and that as the Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward and Street Commissioner reported in favor of their application, but authorized the Assessment in the usual way, whereby the present remonstrants were assessed, they feel aggrieved and desire the Common Council to relieve them from the payment of the said Assessment. The [96] Committee find the facts as above stated to be correct, and while they are aware of the impropriety of thus Reporting on a Petition of this nature & thereby depriving the opponents of the measure of the privilege of remonstrating, they still are perfectly convinced that the Committee who reported in favor of the above named Well and Pump proceeded in good faith, but owing to some cause inadvertantly overlooked the tenor of the Original Petition.

Under this view of the subject the Committee felt bound to give the remonstrance of the late petitioners, the same consideration as if they had originally appeared, and after a full investigation of the subject, the Committee believe that the above named Well & Pump were required for public convenience and they therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Petition of Andrew Curtis & others in the 12th Ward be rejected.

George D. Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jon[a] Seymour
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to [97] whom was referred the Petition of R Elwell to be relieved from an erroneous Tax presented a Report which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Committee on Applications for Office presented the following Report recommending the appointment of Peter See to the Office of Clerk of the Assistant Justices Court 3[d] District in the place of John Campbell deceased.

The Committee on Applications for Office beg leave respectfully to Report that in consequence of the decease of M[r] John Campbell Clerk of the 3[d] District Justices Court, it becomes necessary for this Common Council, to appoint some competent person to fill the vacancy. Various persons have informally applied for the appointment, and the Committee after maturely weighing the competency and claims of the different individuals thus applying, have come to the conclusion of recommending to the Common Council the appointment of M[r] Peter See for that Office, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Peter See be and he is hereby appointed Clerk of the Justices Court for the 3[d] District in the place of John Campbell Esq[r] deceased.

Respectfully submitted

[98] Bernard J Meserole
Peter J Nevius

Which was read and on Motion the Board proceeded to Ballot when Peter See had a majority of Votes and was declared duly elected.

M[r] Roosevelt presented the following Resolutions in relation to the appointment of Public Administrator.

Whereas, by the provisions of the Revised Statutes, the Public Administrator, before entering upon the duties of his Office is required to take the Oath and give the security in the said Statutes prescribed—

And whereas the present Public Administrator, having been appointed previous to the time when the said Statutes went into operation, hath not given the said Security altho' ready and willing, to do so.

Therefore, in order that the said security may be duly given

Resolved that the Office of Public Administrator in this City be and the same is hereby vacated

Resolved also that Silvanus Miller be and he is hereby appointed Public Administrator upon his taking the Oath and executing (with sureties as shall be approved by the Mayor or Recorder) the Bond required by Law

[99] Resolved that the Salary, to be allowed and paid quarterly to the Public Administrator, shall be Twelve hundred and fifty dollars per Annum.

The same having been read the First Resolution was adopted—The Board then upon motion proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill the said Office, when on counting the Ballots it appeared that Silvanus Miller had a Majority of Votes—The question was then taken on the second Resolution and it was adopted—The Question was then taken on the last Resolution fixing the Salary at $1250, per Annum and it was Adopted.

Mr Roosevelt moved that the Board go into the appointment of a Keeper of the City Prison. The Question being taken thereon it was carried in the Affirmative—Alderman I Brown gave notice that he would at the next meeting of Board move for a Reconsideration of the vote given—The Mayor decided that on a Resolution of the Board to go into an Appointment of an Officer, a notice of Reconsideration was out of order—Alderman I Brown appealed from the decision of the Mayor—And upon the question, is the decision of the Mayor correct; It was carried in the Affirmative, and the Decision of the Mayor was sustained.

The Board then proceeded to Ballot for a Keeper of the City Prison when on counting the Ballots, [100] George B Thorp had a Majority of Votes and the President declared George B Thorp duly elected Keeper of the City Prison & Bridewell of New York

The Street Committee presented the following Report on subject of paving the intersection of Suffolk & Hester streets

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the subject of abating a Nuisance which at present exists, at and near the intersection of Suffolk and Hester streets, that such nuisance is occasioned by the water course and pavement being too low to carry the water off freely, and that in order to remedy the evil, it will be necessary to repave a

part of those streets, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that so much of Suffolk street and Hester street be repaved as may be necessary to abate the existing nuisance at the Junction of those streets.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[101] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of abating the Nuisance now existing on 21st Street near 5th Avenue presented a Report in favor of filling up the grounds, was read, & Laid on the Table.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Counsel relative to applying for the appointment of New Commissioners in the matter of opening Sixth street between Broadway and the Bowery presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Report of the Counsel informing the Board that the Commissioners appointed in the matter of opening Sixth street between Broadway and the Bowery Road, had resigned such appointment

Respectfully Report.

That as the said Commissioners have resigned on the ground that they have not beeen able to find property sufficient to assess for the payment of the damage of opening said Street, the question is presented whether it is expedient to apply to the Supreme Court for the appointment of other Commissioners in their places, or to abandon the improvement entirely for the present. The Committee are of opinion that if the latter course be adopted, a new application will before long be made to the Board for the opening of [102] the said street; and without questioning the correctness of the judgment formed by the Commissioners who have resigned, they think it will be more satisfactory to all parties interested, to have the subject examined by another set of Commissioners who may probably view it in a different light.

In case such new Commissioners should arrive at the same conclusion with the old ones, the Board will have stronger grounds for abandoning the said matter, than they have at present. And as the Maps and Surveys are already made, the expence will not be much

encreased by proceeding with it until the opinion of such new Commissioners shall be obtained—The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Counsel make the necessary application for the appointment of Three Commissioners in the said matter in the place of Thomas R Smith John Slidell and Cary Dunn Junior who have resigned and that the necessary papers for that purpose be authenticated during the recess of the Board

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers

The Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative.

[103] The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For building Sewers at the foot of Delancy street and John Leonard, Alpheus Sherman & Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors.

For repaving parts of Suffolk and Hester streets and Abraham Dally Samuel Purdy and Peter Ogilvie Jun[r] appointed Assessors.

The Street Committee to whom was referred a Resolution proposed by Alderman Nevius and a Report of the Law Committee on the same subject respecting an alledged encroachment at the North West corner of Broadway and Liberty street presented the following Report.

The Resolution of Alderman Nevius was as follows

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor cause the obstruction on the North side of Liberty street at the corner of Broadway to be immediately removed.

The Report of the Law Committee was as follows.

The Law Committee to whom was referred sundry documents relating to the alleged encroachment at the North westerly corner of Broadway [104] and Liberty street Report.

That after re-examining the subject, they perceive no reason for changing the opinion expressed by them in their former Report and adopted by the Board. In order however to shorten the proceedings and save the expence of further litigation they respectfully recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved (in case the proprietor of the premises in question should consent thereto) that it be referred to two indifferent persons, to be chosen one by him, one by the Corporation, and they two in case of disagreement to choose a third, to determine what compensation, under all the circumstances, ought to be allowed to such proprietor for his relinquishment of the said premises.

Resolved that the Law Committee be empowered to adopt such measures as they may deem expedient to carry the foregoing Resolution into effect

James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Cowan
Samuel Stevens
G Lee.

The Report of the Street Committee presented this Meeting was as follows.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Report of the Law Committee [105] relative to an alleged encroachment at the Northwesterly corner of Broadway and Liberty street

Respectfully Report

That from the said Report of the Law Committee it appears, that sundry documents relating to this subject were referred to the said Committee but neither are any documents annexed to the said Report nor is it stated therein what Documents were so referred nor have the Street Committee been able to find in the Office of the Clerk any documents relating to this subject which were referred to the Law Committee.

It appears also from the said Report that after re-examining the subject, the Law Committee found no reason to change the opinion which they had expressed in a former Report made by them and adopted by the Board, but that in order to shorten proceedings and save the expence of further litigation, they recommended in substance that it should be referred to them with power to negociate with the proprietor of the premises in question for a settlement by arbitration of the compensation which under all the circumstances ought to be allowed to him for relinquishing the said premises.

The above being all that can be gathered from the document referred to them, the Street Committee with a view of understanding this subject and of ascertaining what particular duty was intended to be imposed on them, by the said reference have been obliged [106] to look elsewhere for the necessary information, it being stated in the said Report of the Law Committee, that they had already made a former Report on this subject, which had been adopted by the Board, the Street Committee were naturally led to examine the said former Report and the subsequent proceedings to which it gave rise, so far as such proceedings appear from the Minutes of the Board and from the papers filed with the Clerk thereof.

In the said former Report of the Law Committee which was adopted November 2d 1829 it is stated That by an Act of the Legislature passed 4th May 1784 the Corporation were authorized to appoint Commissioners for the purpose of laying out the Streets in such parts of the City as had principally suffered by fire during the Revolutionary War—That Commissioners were accordingly appointed and having agreed upon a plan, the same was submitted to and approved by the Corporation and ordered to be carried into execution. By this plan Liberty street then called Crown street was widened five feet, on each side from Broadway to the North River.

As damages might be sustained by the proposed alterations the Act provided a mode of appraising the same, and paying the amount out [107] [of] the City Treasury.

No provision was made for the removal of any building then standing but it was enacted that any and every building which should thereafter be erected so as to intrude or encroach upon the Streets to be laid out in pursuance of this Act, should be deemed a public nuisance and upon a view thereof by the Mayor Recorder or any two or more of the Aldermen, the owner or builder should be obliged to enter into a recognizance in such sum as the Mayor or Recorder or Aldermen should think fit to remove the same in convenient time, and in case of refusal to enter into such recognizance, or neglect to perform the condition of the same within the time limited, the Common Council might thereupon make an order for abating and demolishing the said nuisance.

That the proprietors of all the Lots fronting on Liberty street have receded according to the plan of the Commissioners except two, On the two excepted Lots substantial brick buildings had been erected previous to the Act in question, one of which still continues standing, the other having been destroyed by fire about four years since. In rebuilding on the Lot thus made vacant, the proprietors so far as respects the main Wall of his house has conformed to the line prescribed by the Commissioners, but in constructing his Area has occupied not only the usual space allowed by the [108] Ordinances of the Common Council, but also the interdicted five feet by erecting a stone Wall around the same surmounted by a railing and united to the main Wall. The Law Committee were of opinion, that the said Wall being connected with the House, and erected at the same time should be considered as part of the same Edifice and the whole together as forming one building; and that the said Wall around the Area was a building within the meaning of the Act above mentioned

and that the proper course to be pursued therefore to remedy the annoyance which the said Area was alleged to be to the neighbourhood, was the course pointed out by the said Act. This Report therefore concluded with a Resolution stating in substance that the said Area was a public nuisance within the meaning of the said Act and a further Resolution that the Mayor should cause the same to be removed in the manner prescribed in the said Act.

The Act of the Legislature above referred to will be found at length in the Volume of State Laws relative to this City page 502.

It appears also that in pursuance of the last Resolution presented by the said Report, the Mayor having viewed the premises in question caused a written notice to be personally served [109] upon Waldron B Post (who claims to be the owner thereof) on the 13th day of November last, requiring him to enter into a recognizance in the sum of One thousand Dollars to remove the said alleged nuisance within ten days from such date, the same being in his opinion the correct mode of proceeding to be pursued by him in conformity with the directions of the Act above mentioned, and that a remonstrance was thereupon presented by the said Waldron B Post against the proceedings lately ordered by the Board in relation to the said alleged nuisance.

It appears also that the said remonstrance was on the 30th of November last referred to the Mayor and the Counsel of the Board who made a Report thereon on the 14th of December last, and that such Report was referred to the Law Committee—The Street Committee have not seen either the said Report or the Remonstrance of Mr Post not having found the same in the Office of the Clerk, but they have had Mr Post and the owners of Property in Liberty street who complain of the said Area, before them, and have heard the respective statements of the said parties, from all which the Committee have ascertained that shortly after the building now standing on the North westerly corner of Broadway and Liberty street had been erected, with the Area connected therewith in Liberty street, and enclosed in the same situation [110] as at present, applications were made to the Common Council complaining of the said Area as a Nuisance and requesting that measures should be taken to remove the same, and that the proceedings of the Board after the usual reference of the subject to a Committee and a Report thereon resulted in the adoption of the following Resolution on the 30th of July 1827.

"Resolved that the Street Commissioner be directed to give notice to the owner or occupant or person having charge of the premises

at the North west corner of Broadway and Liberty street that they remove the railing fence, and other encroachments on Liberty street in front thereof in pursuance of the 17th Section of the Law for the appointment of a Street Commissioner &c passed 14th May 1827 and of the other Ordinances of the Corporation, and that in default thereof the Street Commissioner request the Counsel of the Board to prosecute for the penalty under that section and adopt such further proceedings as may be necessary under the direction of the Law Committee."

In pursuance of the said Resolution an Action of Debt was brought in the Supreme Court in the name of the Corporation, against the owner of the said premises for the penalty incurred under the Section above referred to in not removing the obstructions [111] complained of after due notice, and the object of the said suit being to obtain the decision of the Supreme Court as to the rights contended for by the owner of the premises in question, and such being the understanding of both parties, a verdict by consent was taken for the plaintiffs subject to a case to be made for the opinion of the Court.

The said case was agreed upon by the Attornies for the parties respectively, and it would appear that every fact or circumstance that could tend to throw light upon the point to be determined by the Court was either embodied in the Case or suggested in the written arguments of Counsel presented with it.

The avowed object of the case was to submit to the Supreme Court the substantial question arising in the Cause, and what those questions were, is put beyond a doubt, not only by the ultimate decision of the Court, but by the express terms of the Case itself. In the original draught of the said case the following will be found in the hand writing of the then Counsellor of the Board.

"If the Court are of opinion that the Defendant is bound to yield up his five feet of ground under the Act of 1784 without compensation as part of Liberty street, then the Plaintiffs to have judgment for the penalty with full costs, and if the Court think that the Defendant is not bound to submit to the Act of 1784 without being previously compensated for the Land required, then the Defendant to have [112] Judgment for full Costs of his defence."

Upon such case submitted to the Court Judgment was rendered for the Defendant and the following points were decided.

1st The Court were of opinion that the Act of 1784 does not provide for compensation in cases where houses were then standing on Lots adjoining Crown street but applies in cases where there were no

buildings and where the owner is required to yield five feet, for widening the Street, the consequence of this is, that the defendant is not bound to surrender five feet of the Lot on which the house was lately burnt without Compensation.

2d The Court were also of opinion that the Defendant had not a right to rebuild on the five feet, the Act of 1784 declaring such erection to be a Nuisance; this being merely a regulation as to the manner of using the property is considered as within the legitimate powers of the Legislature

This Judgment was acquiesed in on the part of the Corporation. They had the right of appeal to the Court of Errors, but it was not thought expedient to exercise it and the Defendants Costs were paid, thereby fully assenting to the decision of the Supreme Court.

Whether the said decision was a sound one or not in point of Law is not for the Street [113] Committee to determine; It is enough for them that the Matter has been so decided, and they have only to consider what the effect of such decision has been upon the rights of the parties. They deem this the more important, as the owners of property in Liberty street still urge the Board to proceed in the mode recommended by the Law Committee in their former Report.

It may be said that the view taken of this subject by the Law Committee in that Report, does not disagree with the above opinion of the Supreme Court inasmuch as the Court (although they have not touched the question whether the Area in this Case is a Nuisance within the meaning of the Act of 1784) have recognized the validity of that part of the said Act which declares every building thereafter to be erected so as to intrude or encroach upon the Street to be a Nuisance, and which points out the very mode of proceeding recommended by the Law Committee. If the Area in question be a building within the meaning of the Act of 1784 it is a nuisance which may be proceeded against in the manner directed by that Act. Whether it is such building, is at least susceptible of doubt, but admitting the opinion of the Law Committee in this respect to be correct will the difficulties presented by this case be obviated by acting upon it? The most successful result that could be expected from proceeding against Mr Post under the Act of 1784 would be the [114] technical abatement of the alledged nuisance by demolishing the Wall surrounding the Area and connected with the main building, and by removing the railing (it being also connected with the main building; but what further step could the Common Council legally take? If any point is clearly decided by the Judgment of the Supreme Court, it is, that Mr Post is the legal owner

of those five feet, and that they cannot be taken from him for the Street or for any other purpose without compensation. It is evident therefore that the attempt to abate the nuisance according to the provisions of the Act of 1784 even if successfull, would lead to the existence of a much greater nuisance; for after demolishing the Wall and railing, the power of the Corporation would be spent, and any further interference with the premises might subject them to an Action of trespass.

Mr Post might insist upon his right to keep his own property in whatever condition he might think fit. The five feet of ground would form no part of the Street, the Corporation would have no right to pave regulate or lay the side walk there, and the owner might use it in various ways more annoying to the neighbourhood than it is at present, without again subjecting it any way to the operation of the Act of 1784.

[115] The question is then presented whether it is expedient for the Common Council to undertake proceedings, which if Mr Post chooses to stand upon his strict rights, will not attain the desired object. It would be worse than useless in the opinion of the Street Committee to pursue such a course. Whatever the inconvenience may be arising from the existing state of things, it is less than what might be occasioned by the attempt to apply an imperfect remedy, and as any measure beyond what was strictly warranted by Law, would be an invasion of private rights, the Street Committee cannot recommend it to the Board to adopt any such, even if it should promise to be successful.

It has been suggested that the Corporation should purchase the premises in question from Mr Post and throw it open to the Street. This however would be making the whole City pay for a strictly local improvement, and the Committee doubt the power of the Common Council to apply the Public money to such a purpose.

On the whole subject as it would appear to be referred to them, the Street Committee have arrived therefore at the following conclusions.

That the premises in question are the private property of a Citizen, who by Law can exercise every right over the same incident to his ownership except that of erecting a Building thereon

[116] That if the said property should be required for the purpose of improving Liberty street, it must be taken in the only way known to the Law—Viz by Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment, who on a full consideration of all the circumstances can fix the amount of compensation which the proprietor thereof should receive. That no

application being before the Board for any such improvement, the Common Council are not called upon to take any Measures for carrying the same into effect, and that until they are so called upon it is inexpedient for them to interfere in any way with the said premises.

The Street Committee beg leave to submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject of this Report.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Repairs and Arts & Sciences to whom was referred back their Report relative to the Public Clock and the [117] alteration of the Cupola presented the following Report.

The Committees on Repairs and Arts & Sciences to whom was referred back the Report and Resolution relative to the alteration of the Cupola and an appropriation for the completion of the same.

Beg leave to Report, that they have examined the same and are fully of the opinion that the work should be completed as proposed in the former Report with the exception of the fixtures and of lighting the Dial. The Dial being made of Glass will answer the several purposes of emiting light in the Cupola, and form a Beautiful surface to show the time by day and be prepared for Illumination whenever the interest of the City calls for it to be done.

We therefore submit the following Resolutions.

1. Resolved that $650, be appropriated to add to the Clock the machinery necessary to make it strike the Hour.

2. Resolved that $1500, be appropriated to furnish a Bell for that purpose.

3. Resolved that $1000, be appropriated to put in Dials of glass in Copper frames.

4. Resolved that *that* $450 be appropriated for contingent expences.

Peter Cooper
[118] Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
Thoˢ Jeremiah

The question being taken on the first and second Resolutions, *and* they were Adopted.

The Question was then taken on the third Resolution and a Division having been called by Alderman Stevens the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Strong B M Brown Marsh Palmer Mr Roosevelt Seymour Arcularius Beadle Dibblee Cooper 13

In the Negative Ald Stevens Wells Lee Woodruff Mandeville Bryson Scott Rogers Jeremiah Engs 10.

So the Resolution was Adopted. The question was then taken on the fourth Resolution and it was adopted. Mr Mandeville gave notice of Reconsideration of the 3d Resolution & Alderman Strong gave notice of Reconsideration of the 4th Resolution.

[119] The Committee on Jail & Bridewell and Police on the subject of Building a Bridewell presented a Report together with a plan of and an Estimate of the expence of the same which was read Laid on the Table, and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against opening the 7th Avenue from 21st Street to Bloomingdale presented the following Report against said opening.

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have the Seventh Avenue opened between 21st Street and the Bloomingdale Road, and also the Remonstrance against the same.

Respectfully Report—That in their opinion the opening of that part of the Avenue is not required for public purposes, and would be attended with very serious loss, and damage to the individual owners of the highly cultivated grounds through which the Avenue would pass when so opened. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open the Seventh Avenue between Twenty first street. [120] and the Bloomingdale Road

G Lee
John Rogers
Samuel Stevens
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacobus Dyckman and others for some pecuniary Aid in repairing the Bridge over the Harlaem Creek presented the following Report in favor

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jacobus

Dyckman and others for some pecuniary aid in repairing the Bridge over the Harlaem Creek Respectfully

Report

That the Bridge crosses the Harlaem Creek at some distance Southerly of the Kingsbridge, and [is] much required for the accommodation of the inhabitants of the upper part of this Island, in their intercourse with the adjacent Country, and of the Farmers of West Chester County in bringing their produce to this Market—An[d] inasmuch as that this Corporation have not (except in one instance) contributed any thing towards the Keeping in repair the said Bridge but that it has been done at the sole expence of [121] the Inhabitants in its vicinity. Your Committee deem it but just and reasonable, that a small sum should be appropriated by this Board for that purpose. And accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the sum of Two hundred dollars be appropriated by this Board towards the repairing of the Bridge over Harlaem creek near Kings bridge, provided a like sum be contributed by the Petitioners for, and applied to the like purpose and that the said repairs be made under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

G Lee
John Rogers
Samuel Stevens
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Road Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons for and remonstrance against opening the Ninth Avenue between the 28th Street and the Bloomingdale Road presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Road Committee respectfully Report on the Petition for, and remonstrance against opening the Ninth Avenue between the 28th Street and the Bloomingdale Road that in their opinion [122] the opening of that Avenue as requested by the Petitioners is not required at present. But inasmuch as that it has been for several years opened and worked to 28th Street, and that portion of it which passes through the grounds formerly of John L Norton, commonly called the Hermitage has been ceeded to this Corporation, and partially worked, Your Committee would recommend that so much of the 9th Avenue as lies between 28th Street and that part ceeded by Mr Norton be opened provided the Petitioners will give assurances to the Corporation that they will work the same into a convenient Road at their individual

expence when the same shall have been so opened—In conformity thereto your Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Ninth Avenue be opened from the 28th Street to the grounds formerly of John L Norton on the conditions expressed in the foregoing Report.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures for having the foregoing Resolution carried into effect by making application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above case, and that the same be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

[123] G Lee
John Rogers
Samuel Stevens
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Report of the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs on the subject of preparing accommodations for Offices in the Institution presented on 30th November last and laid for consideration was called up and referred to the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs.

It was Resolved that the notices for Reconsideration given at the last Meeting and which have not been acted upon at this Meeting be continued over until the next regular Meeting of the Board.

The Comptroller presented the following Report

Balance as per Account 3d Inst	$544.30
Recd for Rents	9869.63
" " Streets	8699.61
" " Tax of 1829	5212.49
" " Justices Courts	939.50
" " Cartmen & Porters Licences on Act	650.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	245.
" " [124] Superior Court fees	231.
" " Wells & Pumps	162.
" " Mayoralty fees	82.
	$26.635.53

38 Accounts Audited.

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
G. N Bleecker Comptroller 1 Qr Salary 15 May	450.
Jacob P. Roome Super Repairs 1 Qr " 14 May	300.

John Fleming Treasr 6 Mo 1 May	250.	
Isaac Warren City Inspector 1 Qr 9 May	200.	
Jacob Lozier Clerk Street Coms Office 1 Qr 11 May	125.	
J Leonard for lists of Passengers 6 Mo 1 May	50.	
John M Devoy Clerk 3 Markets 1 Mo 1 May	57.50	
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 16 May	144.39	
J. P. Deitrich Auction fees on Docks & Slips & Duane Market	24.	
Jas Shaw for Officers attending Courts 1 Qr 1 May	1825.50	
R Hatfield Clerk of Sessions 1 Qr Salary 12 May	500.	
R Hatfield do Amt pd Witnesses 1 Qr "	15.	
Geo: B Raymond for Officers serving Supboenas 1 Qr 1 May	195.57	
John P Roome Crier of Court 1 Qr 3d May	50.	
Henry M Britten Rent for Court 5. 8. 14. Wards 6 Mo 1 May	125.	
Jas Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary 12d May	400.	
Abm M Valentine " " "	400.	
John W Wyman " " "	400.	
[125] R Stephens Clerk Police Office 1 Qr 12 May	312.50	
J Townsend Asst Clerk " " "	200.	
P Van Pelt printing " "	481.50	
T Cumming Actt reg 6th Avenue fm 13th to 21st Street	1280.	
T Cumming Actt reg 21st St fm 5th Avenue to Hudson river	700.	
T Cumming Actt reg & pavg Barrow & Commerce between Hudson & Bedford Street	220.	
J Gallagher Junr 1st payt Well 17th St near 8th Avenue	15.	
*J Pinkerton builds Sewer & Repairs Pavements at Barclay St &c	295.32	
Abm Storms movg Cath Market & driving Piles	3604.	
R Graves Street Comr Actt Repairs Roads	500.	
Thos S Richards Iron Pipes for Public Reservoir	921.60	
Samuel Richards Do Do	518.40	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dept	2260.	
J. P Roome Do Markets	391.	
J. P Roome Do Pumps	300.	
J. P. Roome Do Lamps	287.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House	5000.	26.123.08
Balance		$512.45

In the Comptrollers Report of Accounts audited, an Account for building Sewers & repairing pavements at Barclay & West street, was presented and was referred to the Street Committee.

Board Adjourned to Monday the 31st Inst at 5 OClock.

* Marginal note reads *not passed.*—ED.

[126] In Common Council May 31st 1830

Present. The Honbl Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadel
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The unfinished business of last Meeting was first taken up.

[127] Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the expediency of having the Side walks laid on the South side of Hammersly street between Hudson & Greenwich street.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Market Committee to have the ground in the rear of Washington Market regulated and paved.

Alderman Isaac Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner.

Resolved that a Well be dug and a Pump erected therein in Forsyth street between Rivington and Stanton streets.

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was read and Laid on the Table

Resolved that the Street and side [128] walks at the corner of Hester & Suffolk streets be taken up and Repaved

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which war read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Commitee to enquire into the expediency of having the Street in the rear of Tompkins

Market between 6th & 7th Streets regulated and paved, also that they Report a suitable name for said Street

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Resolved that the Police Committee be directed to cause the Buildings Nuisances &c around the Bridewell to be removed without delay.

Mr Rogers presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that so much of the Old Barn or Stable at present incumbering the Side walk of Broadway between 12th & 13th Streets be removed therefrom and that the Street Commissioner adopt measures for having the same carried into Effect.

[129] Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolved that it is expedient that this Corporation should assume the occupancy of the Bulkhead and Waters on the Westerly side of West street between Hubert street and Vestry street as it is now required for public purposes and which is to be relinquished by the proprietors of the Water Grants when the same shall be so required for Public purposes.

A Petition of a Committee appointed at a meeting of Citizens at the City Hall to apply to the City Authorities for aid in the establishment of a House of Industry was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The Annual Report of the Superintendent of the Alms House Bridewell & Penitentiary was read, Also the Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Alms House Bridewell & Penitentiary were read and referred to the Special Committee on Pauperism with power to print the said Report if deemed advisable.

His Honor the Mayor stated that he had received a Mandamus issuing out of the Supreme Court of this State dated the 15th of May 1830 directed [130] to the Mayor Alderman and Commonalty of the City of New York in relation to the case of the Election of David Rogers as Alderman of the 5th Ward [the same being read] was in the words following.

(Seal) The People of the State of New York by the Grace of God Free and Independant. To the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York Greeting

Whereas on the first day of November last past, and for the two succeeding days, an Election was duly held according to Law in the Fifth Ward of the said City, for the purpose of Electing an Alderman and other Officers of the said fifth Ward according to the Charter of

the City of New York and the Statutes amending the same. And whereas at the said Election David Rogers had a Majority of votes for Alderman of the said Ward, Whereupon the said David Rogers was entitled to and ought to have qualified himself to become a Member of the Common Council of the said City, by appearing and taking the oath or oaths by Law provided, but on the contrary, thereof, the said David Rogers soon after the said Election took place, and in the said Month of November, and before the first day of January last past, departed from the United States for the Island of S^{t} Croix in the West Indies [131] without having ever qualified himself by Law to assume the Office of Alderman of the said Fifth Ward; And whereas he the said David Rogers has ever since been and still is absent from the United States whereby the said Fifth Ward is not fully represented in the said Common Council, and manifest injustice is done to the residents and Electors in the said Fifth Ward as has been suggested to us by the Complaint of John B Schmelzel, James R Manley, George Concklin, George W Arnold, David Banks and Benjamin Briggs residents and electors in the said Ward. And Whereas we have been informed by the said Complaint, that by reason of the premises aforesaid, the Office of Alderman of the said Fifth ward is now vacant, and that it is proper, expedient and necessary that an Election for Alderman of the said Ward should be had without delay, therefore being willing that due and speedy justice should be done in this behalf (as it is reasonable) Do command you, by firmly enjoining you, that immediately after the receipt of this our writ, You do without delay cause an election to be held for the purpose of choosing and electing an Alderman of the said Fifth ward, pursuant to the said Charter and the Acts of the Legislature of the State of New York in such case made and provided or signify to us to the contrary thereof, that the same Complaint may not by your default be again repeated to us, [132] and how you shall have executed this our writ make it appear before our Justices of our Supreme Court of Judicature, at the Academy in the Town of Utica, on the first Monday of July next, and this you are not to omit on peril that may fall therein.

Witness John Savage Esquire Chief Justice at the City Hall of the City of New York, the fifteenth day of May in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and thirty.

Dunlap, Attorney

Fairlie Hubbard Paige & Oliver Clerks.

In Supreme Court May 27. 1830

The People of the State of New York ex relatione John B Schmelzel & others

v^s

The Mayor Alderman & Commonalty of the City of New York

} J A Dunlap Att^y

Application having been made to the Court for an Alternative Mandamus to the Corporation of the City of New York to order an election of Alderman of the Fifth Ward, Ordered that said motion be granted

(A Copy)
Ja^s Fairlie Cl^k

Supreme Court

The People of the State of New York on the Relation of John B Schmelzel, James R Manley George Concklin [133] George W Arnold David Banks & Benjamin Briggs

v^s

The Mayor Alderman and Commonalty of the City of New York

City and County of New York SS. John B Schmelzel, James R Manley, George Conklin, George W Arnold, David Banks and Benjamin Briggs, residents and electors in the Fifth ward of the City of New York being duly sworn depose and say that on the first Monday of November last past, and for the two succeeding days, an Election was duly held according to Law in the Fifth Ward of the City of New York for the purpose of electing an Alderman and other Offices of the Fifth Ward, according to the Charter of the City of New York and the Statutes amending the same, that at the said elect*ed*[ion] David Rogers had a Majority of Votes for Alderman of the said Ward. Whereupon the said David Rogers was entitled to and ought to have qualified himself to become a member of the Common Council of the said City, by appearing and taking the oath or oaths by Law provided; but on the contrary thereof, the said David Rogers soon after the said Election took place, and in the said month, of November and before the first day of January last past departed from the United States for

the [134] Island of S^{t} Croix in the West Indies without having even qualified himself by Law to assume the Office of Alderman of the said Fifth Ward and that the said David Rogers has ever since been and still is absent from the United States whereby the said Fifth Ward is not fully represented in the said Common Council. And these deponents further say that they are advised and believe that the said David Rogers by reason of his non Compliance with the said Charter and Laws, has forfeited all right and claim to the said Office of Alderman, that the same is now vacant, and that it is proper, expedient and necessary that an Election for an Alderman of the said Fifth Ward should be had without delay. And further these deponents say not

Sworn this fifth day of May 1830 John B Schmelzel, Geo: Concklin Geo: W Arnold, David Banks & Benjamin Briggs and on the sixth day of May instant James R Manley— Before me

Cornelius Roosa
Commissioner &c

John B Schmelzel
Geo: Concklin
Geo W Arnold
David Banks
Benj^{a} Briggs
James R Manley

M^{r} Roosevelt moved that the Resolutions presented by him on the 5th of April last on that subject which were adopted and on motion of [135] Reconsideration, reconsidered on the 7th of April and referred to the Counsel and Reported on by him on 19th of April and Laid on the Table be now called up and Adopted. Alderman Strong moved that the whole subject be referred to a Special Committee.

Debates were had thereon and on the question of agreeing to Alderman Strongs motion, and a Division being called by M^{r} Roosevelt the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative M^{r} Recorder Al^{d} Mott I Brown Strong B M Brown Wells Meserole Marsh Lee Palmer Woodruff M^{r} Seymour Arcularius Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Dibblee Cooper Engs 19.

In the Negative Al^{d} Nevius Stevens Seaman M^{r} Roosevelt Mandeville Bryson 6

[136] So it was carried in the Affirmative and the Committee were directed to Report at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Mayor appointed on the Committee Al^{d} Seaman Strong M^{r} Bryson Rogers Dibblee.

His Honor the Mayor laid before the Board the following Document received from the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the City of New York which was read and ordered to be filed.

At a Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New York held in and for the City and County of New York on Wednesday the 26th day of May in the year of our Lord 1830 Present

The Honbl John T Irving First Judge

Peter J Nevius
Benjamin M Brown
James N Wells
Bernard J Meserole
William Seaman
George D Strong
James Palmer
Thomas T Woodruff

} Alderman & Judges of the Court

[137] In the Matter of Abraham M Valentine one of the Police Justices. The Court having advised in this Matter, and due deliberation being had. Do order and adjudge that the said Abraham M Valentine be removed from the Office of Police Magistrate of this City & County and he is accordingly hereby removed.

Extract from the Minutes

N Dean Clerk

A Communication from D B Ogden and also from Jonas Platt Esqr requesting a settlement of their Accounts as Counsel employed on part of the Corporation on subject of Leaks Will were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Elvin Hunt in behalf of his Mother Brother & Sisters praying for extension of time to pay the Assessment due on their Lot of ground in 12th Street, near Broadway was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of George B White for permission to erect a frame Building on West side Castle Garden as a Warm Sea Water Bath, also to moor a Floating Bath off the same was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[138] A Petition of John Van Bussum to be appointed an Inspector of Anthracite Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Members of Fire Engine Co No 9 praying to have a Fine against C F Lindsley remitted was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Memorial of the Congregation of Shearith Israel praying that a

Gore of Land on Eleventh street may be released to them was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial of Henry Coster for renewal of Lease of Common Lands Lot N° 186 was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Memorial of the General Society of Mechanics & Tradesmen of the City of New York for the remission of the Ground Rent on the Lot upon which the Apprentices Library is erected was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of the owners of Property in Cherry street against the widening [139] of said Street between Catharine and James Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of David Marvin to have an Assessment on 10th Street divided so that his Lot can be paid for seperately was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Remonstrance of Henry Eckford John Hone & others against paving 21st Street between 6th & 8th Avenues was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Remonstrance of John G Coster, Lynde Catlin & others against the extension of the Sewer in Centre street was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of Andrew Egan for the remission of a Fine for selling Liquors without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Mary J Delancy to have an error in Tax on personal property corrected was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[140] A Petition of William Lewis for remission of a Fine for having in his Store Wood-cock for sale contrary to an Ordinance of the Corporation was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of Gouverneur street to have side walks of said street from Water to Madison street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of Stephen C Brown to have an Assessment on Lots for opening 14th & 15th Streets and 7th Avenue apportioned was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Azel Conklin to be appointed a Measurer and Inspector of Charcoal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of S C Reeder & others for a Well & Pump corner of Washington & Morton streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of John L Heyer for [141] Butchers Licence for Stall N° 53 Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of David Lefferts & others to have a Pond between 1st & 2d Streets adjoining Avenue B filled up was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Edward Holmes & others to have sunken Lots from 16th to 21st Street between 6th & 7th Avenues filled up was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A petition of Anthony Tieman and others to have sunken Lots between 17th and 23d Street on 5th Avenue filled up was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of E S Lazarus for the Office of Special Justice of the Police Office was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Remonstrance of Robert McQueen and others against widening Cross & Little Water streets at the "Five Points" was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[142] A Remonstrance of Christopher Milderberger and others against the opening of 5th Avenue beyond 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of the General Theological Seminary &c against paving 21st Street West of the 9th Avenue, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Roe & Munro to purchase a Gore of Land in 12th Street between Broadway and the Bowery adjoining their Lots was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Jonathan Lyon for balance due him for paving Greenwich Street from Bank street to the Kill Road was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of David S Mills & others to have Side walks of 3d Avenue from Bowery to 13th Street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Ephraim Bolander and others Butchers in Centre Market praying [143] that the Attorney may be desired to stay proceedings against them, in a suit commenced for the recovery of the rent of their respective Stalls, until they can be heard before a Committee of the Board was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Fitzpatrick for the appointment of Engineer to the Reservoir in 13th Street was read and referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

A Petition of the Hucksters Butchers & others of Centre Market for permission to place Boxes therein to be used as vegetable Stand[s] was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Michael Kent in behalf of his Brother John Kent to have him relieved from a Fine for selling Meats without the Limits of the Market was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Timpson Jr for the Office of Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Andrew Curtis & others to have 20th Street paved from 6th to 10th Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[144] The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read the resignations accepted and Appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

No 4

Henry B Cook Bronzer 18 Stone Street
Vc Thomas Gilfeather—Resigned

No 7

William H Stevens Mason 100 Division St
Vc Jonathan Marshall Resigned
Samuel Radcliff Printer 29 Orchard St
Vc William H Colyer Resigned

No 14

Thomas Gilfeather Tailor 48½ Duane St
Vc Thomas P Williams
Theodore Mercer Carpenter 239 Greenwich St
Vc Bernard A May[e]reau
Elbert E Kip Polisher Cabinet Furniture 49 Beekman St
Vc Saml Y Coles
} Resigned

No 23

William Smith Carver 55 Elm Street
Vc Charles L Strong—Time Expd
Henry Valentine Cabinet Maker 45 Murray St
Vc Edwd O [D] Cooper Appd Warden
Robert Millon Cabinet Maker 563 Pearl St
Vc James Struthers Appd Warden

[145] N° 16.

William Van Dewater Sail Maker Eldridge S^t^
William A Pinckney Clerk Fulton S^t^ } to fill the Company

N° 28

John Secor Accountant 131 Bleecker S^t^ V^c^ E Pendleton Resigned
P. S Martin Butcher 52 Prince S^t^ V^c^ Isaac Craft Resigned.

N° 32

Cornelius L Purdy Carpenter 164 Bowery S^t^
V^c^ Samuel Cox Resigned
John C Valentine Ship Carpenter 151 Allen S^t^
V^c^ David Theall Resigned
James Oakley Grocer 95 Hester S^t^
V^c^ Francis H White—Resigned
Peter Powless Ship Carpenter 60 Willet S^t^
V^c^ Thomas M^c^Intyre Time Expired

N° 33

James Start Ship Wright 333 Water S^t^
V^c^ Adam W Youle Time Expired
John Spencer Ship Wright 665 Water S^t^
V^c^ Charles Miller Time Expired
Stephen W Simmons Ship Wright 694 Water S^t^
V^c^ John A Weeks Time Expired
Charles Parker Spar Maker Lewis S^t^ V^c^ James Fennell Expelled

[146] N° 34

Jacob A Powless Carpenter 127 Barrow S^t^ to fill the Company

Fire Hose C° N° 1

John T. S. Smith Accountant 104 Eldridge St
V^c^ R. C. Theall Time Expired
Thomas S Williams Merchant 167 Hester S^t^
V^c^ W^m^ J Lee Resigned
William M Mailler Carpenter 141 Orange S^t^
V^c^ R C Barker Time Expired
Benjamin L Guion—Confectioner 60 Division S^t^
V^c^ John Stebbins—Time Expired

Fire Wardens C°

2^d^ Ward

Robert Furlong J^r^ Grocer 43 Liberty S^t^
V^c^ D Ayres—Time Expired

The Chief Engineer presented his Annual Return which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department to print the same.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry nuisances

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting [147] Nuisances Viz[t]

No 1.	John R Livingston	Owner	Columbia & Cannon St	Lots
2.	Peter Ogilvie	"	E side Sheriff	"
3.	"	"	S W cor Stanton & Columbia	"
4.	Zephaniah Halsey	"	S W side 20th St	"
5.	Estate of W Hunter	"	N W cor Lombardy & Cor[laers]	"
6.	"	"	S side Lombardy St	"
7.	Peter Ogilvie	"	N side Harman St	"
8.	John J Astor	"	S side Grand St	"
9.	N Mont[a]gue	"	S side 20th Street	Cellar
10.	S. P. V R Tenbroeck	"	No 214. 216. 218. 19th St	Cellars
11.	Margaret S Gibson	"	No 220. 222. 224 "	"
12.	Thos C Davis	"	No 226. 228. 230. 232. "	"
13.	Wm McIntire Prest of Sterling Co	Lessee	E side Attorney St	Lots
14.	John McComb	owner	W side Broadway	"
15.	Anthony Lamb	"	W side Sheriff St	"
16.	John J Astor	"	W side 6 Avenue	"
17.	John Adams Presdt Fulton Bank	"	S side Rivington St	"
18.	John J Astor	"	N side Henry Street	"
19.	George S Watkins	"	Christopher St	"

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The Counsel presented a Report in the matter of opening 4th Avenue from Broadway to 28th Street, stating that the Supreme Court decided against confirming the Report of the Commissioners but [148] have suspended referring it to New Commissioners until the Board determine whether or not it is expedient to abandon the opening at present which was read and referred to the Road and Street Committee.

The Counsel presented a Report stating that the Supreme Court at the last term Confirmed the Report of the Commissioners for opening 5th Avenue from 13th to 21st Street, of widening Jacob street and also opening 11th Street from Greenwich Lane to Broadway [which] was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereon Viz[t]

For a Well & Pump in Mulberry street between Spring and Prince street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in the 8[th] Avenue near 19[th] Street and John Hanmer was Appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on Assessment for [149] regulating 21[st] Street from the 5[th] Avenue to the Hudson River—Whereupon a Warrant was directed to be issued to John Hanmer the Collector thereof

The Joint Committees on Public Offices and Repairs to whom was referred the Report of the 30[th] of November last on Accommodation for Courts &c in the Building on Chamber street presented the following Report.

The Report of the 30[th] of November was called up & read as follows.

The Committee of Repairs and Public Offices to whom was referred the Resolution of M[r] Jeremiah for a suitable appropriation of the New York Institution, and the further accommodation of Public Offices beg leave to Report.

That they have maturely considered that subject, and are of opinion that the entire building alluded to in the Resolution, is required for public purposes, and may be occupied agreeably to the plan and views hereunto annexed. First, for your Police Office; Second, for your House of Detention; Third, for your Grand Jury; Fourth for your First District Watch; Fifth, for your Commissioners of the Alms House; Sixth (where the Museum now is) for a Court room Forty two feet by Ninety three, with Judges Chamber, Clerks Office, and Jury Rooms connected therewith; [150] Seventh for the Collectors of Assessments, eighth for the Public Administrators Office and Court; Ninth for your Marine Court, and the rooms that may be necessary for its accommodation, there will then remain several apartments which may hereafter be appropriated. The attention of your Committee has also been drawn to the nuisance that now surrounds the back part of your Bridewell and Debtors Jail, and do in their opinion herewith suggest a plan that will entirely remedy and remove that nuisance. It is further proposed by your Committee, that the Iron railing of the Park be extended on the Chamber street front, and that the ground be laid out in an Ornamental manner, as per plan, and be reserved exclusively for M[r] Hunters family and the Keeper of the House of Detention, that the whole building be newly painted white, and windows trimmed on

Chamber street with green blinds which will in the opinion of your Committee, make the front equal in appearance to any of the private buildings opposite, particularly as the proposed plan is to make the front on the Park, the business front. In the consideration of this subject the attention of your Committee has been drawn to the present condition [151] of the City Prison, as well in relation to the imperfect arrangement of this building as to the manifest neglect of that peculiar class of individuals which chiefly constitutes its inmates. Your Committee are perfectly aware that the happiness and security of Society require that a place of confinement should be prepared for persons awaiting their trial, but they would at the same time deprecate the idea of degrading them into the character of felons, by placing them in the society of such, or into a building which possesses the character and all the revolting attributes of a common prison; too long your Committee would urge has this subject been neglected and humanity outraged, in the midst of a population distinguished for liberality of sentiment and character, they would therefore respectfully suggest that that part of the Institution lying nearest to your future Court of Sessions, be occupied for the accommodation of persons charged with crime, to be called the House of Detention, and to be prepared with the view of separation or such Judicious classification as may best comport with the health and propriety of the establishment, and the comfort of individuals confined therein. The advantages of this arrangement will be that very small expence, all the real objections urged against the present Bridewell will be obviated, and the building when so prepared will be less liable to objections as a nuisance, than one of your public schools; nor should it [152] be thought degrading that the same range of buildings is to be occupied for a Court Room and for Various Public Offices when we reflect that the tenants of the House of Detention will be in fact only charged with crime, of which in the spirit of our Laws they will be deemed entirely innocent. As that part of the Institution to be occupied as above stated will be seperated from the Court of Sessions (now preparing) by a small space of ground, it will be readily seen that by running high walls so as to include that space into a yard, as it is now occupied, the intercourse between the two places will be entirely concealed from the public eye; and thus one of the greatest Nuisances complained of the assemblage of idle and curious spectators to witness the passage of the prisoners will be in a great measure done away; by the arrangement proposed it will be necessary to remove the Commissioners of the Alms House and the family of Mr Hunter, into another part of the

building, where they will be equally well accommodated; their yard however can still continue to be occupied for all the necessary public purposes, to which it has been heretofore appropriated. Your Committee in conclusion of this part of their subject would urge in general terms the propriety of locating the different Courts and Establishments intimately connected therewith [153] as nearly as possible in the same vicinity. The future improvements of the City will undoubtedly develope a more central location for all those Institutions; but until that period arrives, public accommodation as well as economy suggests the present as the most suitable situation

The estimated cost of all the alterations proposed by your Committee, except the Iron fence in Chambers street will not exceed Ten thousand Dollars. In conclusion your Committee beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved, that the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs, be authorized to make the alterations suggested in the above Report, and that they be limited not to expend more in amount than Ten thousand Dollars

James N Wells
Thomas T Woodruff
Thomas Jeremiah
Jeremiah Dodge

The Report now presented was as follows.

The Committee on Public Offices and Repairs to whom was referred the Report of the 30th of November last on the subject of the better accommodation of the Courts and Public Offices for a suitable appropriation of the buildings on Chambers street,

Respectfully Report

That all the legal measures necessary to put the City authorities in possession of the building called the Institution have been taken, and the same is now in [154] situation to be occupied for public purposes, as soon as the Common Council shall direct.

The great length of time during which so large an amount of the public property has been suffered to be applied, without any material equivalent, almost exclusively to private uses, has been a subject of frequent and, it must be admitted of just animadversion. When to this consideration is added the present crouded state of the City Hall and its utter inadequacy to the accommodation of the numerous Courts and public Offices, the Committee are persuaded that no other argument need be urged to induce the Common Council, without further delay, to adopt some plan for the occupation of the building in question. In

the Report referred to your Committee the establishing of the proposed House of Detention in the East wing of the Building was recommended Since that period the Board have passed certain resolutions on the subject of a Location for a New Bridewell, the effect of which however, has been suspended by a notice of re-consideration. The Committee therefore have deemed it proper to postpone for the present that branch of the subject referred to them, reserving until the Bridewell location question shall have been finally settled by the Board.

With respect to the Westerly portion of [155] the building, there is no difficulty in the way of fitting it up immediately to meet such of the Public wants as are the most pressing; and your Committee after a very careful investigation, have come to the conclusion that the same may be most advantageously disposed of in the following manner.

First. One large Court Room with its Judges Chambers, Clerks Office and Jury Rooms, for the use of one or more of the higher Courts

Second. One smaller Court Room for the Surrogate, with an Office adjoining for the records of Wills and other documents relating to the estates of deceased persons.

Third. One Court Room for the Marine Court with a Clerk's Office and Jury Room, instead of the present subteranean abode of that tribunal.

Fourth. A more appropriate and commodious apartment for the Grand Jury with a Chamber for the witnesses and others in attendance.

According to the estimates submitted to the Committee the expence of these alterations will not exceed Five thousand dollars—Your Committee therefore offer the following resolution for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that the Committees on Repairs and Public Offices be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause so much of the [156] building on Chambers street called the Institution as may be necessary for the purpose to be fitted up agreeably to the plan stated in the above Report and the sum of Five thousand Dollars is appropriated to carry this Resolution into effect

James I Roosevelt Jr
James N Wells
David Bryson
Thos Jeremiah
Thomas T Woodruff

Alderman Mott moved that the Report be laid on the Table. The Question being taken thereon the Ayes & Noes being required by Mr Roosevelt it passed in the Negative, the Members voting as follows.

In the Affirmative Ald Mott Strong Mandeville 3

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Stevens I Brown B M Brown Wells Marsh Lee, Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson, Beadel Rogers, Jeremiah Dibble[e] Cooper Engs 18

[157] The Question was then taken on Adopting the Report and it was carried in the Affirmative—Alderman Strong gave notice of Re-consideration—A motion was then made that when the Board adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday next. Alderman Strong then withdrew his notice of Reconsideration—The question was then taken on the Adjournment and it passed in the Negative.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Morss to purchase a Gore of ground on 12th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Morss for the purchase of a small Gore of Land on Twelfth street

Respectfully Report

That the said Gore became the property of the Corporation by the proceedings for opening 12th Street between Broadway and the Bowery at the Assessed value of $51,^{6}\frac{4}{100}$ and that the Petitioner is the owner of the adjoining land. They recommend therefore that the said Gore be sold to the Petitioner for the said price with the interest due thereon, and they offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board prepare a Deed to John Morss for the said Gore he paying therefor the said sum of $51.64. [158] with interest as above and with the expences of the Deed, and that the said Deed be authenticated in the usual mode during the recess of the Board

W Seaman
Wm W Mott
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee
Peter J Nevius

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Michael Dougherty to be exonerated from his Contract as Lessee of Districts No 4 & 7 Public Slips presented the following Report accompanied with an Ordinance.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Michael Dougherty relative to two of the Districts of the Public Docks and Slips beg leave to Report

That the several Districts into which the Public Docks & Slips are divided were Leased at Auction under their direction on the 28th day of April last. The annexed statement contains the names of the several Lessees and of the Sureties offered by them and the sums for which the said Districts were respectively leased for the ensuing year.

[159] It appears that Districts Nos 4 & 7 were struck off to William H Hoople, the first for $6000, and the other for $9900, and that Michael Dougherty and Losee Van Nostrand were the sureties proposed for the said two Districts—The said Michael Dougherty has presented a Petition to the Board stating that he became the purchaser of the said two Districts and praying the Corporation to take one of them off his hands upon such terms as they might think right and just.

In consequence of this application the Committee directed the Leases and Bond for the said two Districts to be tendered without delay to the parties whose names had been given as Lessees and sureties; and they are informed that Mr Hoople alth'o he admitted himself to be the Lessee, refused to execute the papers, on the ground that Mr Dougherty was the person actually interested in the Leases, and that he had only allowed his name to be used at Mr Doughertys request—Mr Van Nostrand also refused to execute the Bond as a surety—Under these circumstances the Committee are of opinion that Mr Hoople & Mr Dougherty are at all events liable, and as the terms have not been complied with by giving the Bond with sureties and executing the Lease, and as the Committee see no good reason for granting the prayer of Mr Doughertys [160] Petition, they recommend as the proper course that the parties be duly notified that unless the said terms be complied with by a given day the said Districts will be advertised for Sale and sold on their account, and that they will be held liable for any deficiency between the amounts for which they may be struck off at such re-sale, and the amounts for which they were sold on the 28th of April last.

The Committee would also inform the Board that by the terms upon which the said Public Docks & Slips we[re] so leased Spring Street Slip was reserved exclusively for Market Boats and Small Boats—as no Ordinance has yet been passed for this purpose, they beg leave to submit One and recommend its passage.

The Committee conclude by offering the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Comptroller give notice as hereinbefore mentioned to the Lessee and proposed Sureties for Districts N° 4 and 7 of Public Docks and Slips, and that if the same be not complied with, the said Districts be Resold under the direction of the Finance Committee for and on account of the parties concerned, and that the said Committee have a general discretion in the premises.

[161] Resolved that the Ordinance hereunto annexed be passed

W Seaman
Wm W Mott
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee
Peter J Nevius

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted. The Ordinance was passed in the following words.

The Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened do ordain as follows.

No person shall bring any Vessel or Vessels whatsoever (except Market Boats and other small Boats) within the Slip belonging to the Corporation at the foot of Spring street, under the penalty of Five Dollars for every such Offence.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Lawrence Wiseburn for Stall N° 8 Greenwich Market presented the following Report.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Lawrence Wiseburn for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 8 Greenwich Market Beg leave respectfully to Report

That the same is accompanied with the [162] necessary consent of Charles Gillman the present occupant. They therefore offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board

Resolved that a Butcher's Licence be granted to Lawrence Wiseburn for Stall N° 8 Greenwich Market—Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Jona Seymour
David Marsh
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee presented the following Report relative to the Sale of Stalls in Tompkins Market.

The Market Committee Report that on the 8th of this month Tompkins Market was opened for the first time, the Committee having previously disposed of Six Butchers Stalls in said Market for one year agreeably to the annexed Advertisement at the following prices & rent

		Premium			
No 1	John Flock	$400,	and	$50	Annual Rent
2.	John Davenport	400,	"	50	"
3.	Jacob Evans	250,	"	40	"
4.	Asa W Wesson.....	350,	"	40.	"
5.	John Boscawen	350,	"	50.	"
6.	Romeo Thompson	350,	"	50	
	Premiums	$2000,		$280	Rent

[163] The amount of Two thousand Dollars have been received by the Collector of the City Revenue, in Cash previous to the Stands being occupied. The Committee offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that Butchers Licence be granted to the above named Six butchers for Stalls in Tompkins Market agreeable to the above Report

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Jnoª Seymour
David Marsh
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petitions for and against the removal of Engine No 48 to 13th Street presented the following Report against removing the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the several Petitions for and against the removal of Fire Engine No 48, to 13th Street beg leave Respectfully to Report

That your Committee some time since on the presentation of a Petition to remove the same from its late location on 19th Street on account of the difficulty of access to the same, endeavoured but [164] without success to procure a suitable location on the 8th Avenue the Corporation owning a Gore of Land on 13th Street Your Committee reported in favor of the same which was adopted by the Board, and in the opinion of your Committee afford facilities of removing the

Engine to any part of the City greater than its late location and protecting as important a part of the property of the Citizens. Your Committee offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remove Fire Engine C° N° 48 from its present location *on* [to] 13th Street.

Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
P. W Engs
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Inhabitants of 14th Ward complaining of riotous assemblage of Boys at Engine N° 40 presented the following Report.

[165] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Inhabitants of 14th Ward complaining of Riotous Assemblage of Boys at the Engine House N° 40 beg leave

Respectfully to Report.

That the Petition sets forth, that the boys assemble at and about the said Engine house, but more especially complain of a great noise being made on the Sabbath day insulting females and some times fighting & using most indecent and profane language, but your Committee do not think that the above complaint is a proper subject to be referred to them, & that the remedy is provided for by the Laws. They offer the following Resolution. Resolved that the above Petition be referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward.

Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers
James Palmer

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and it was accordingly referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 14th Ward.

The Committee on the Fire Department [166] to whom was referred the Petition of Engine Company N° 46 for increase of Men presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred

the Petition of Fire Engine Company N° 46 for an increase of the number of the Firemen attached to the same.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion from the location of the Engine viz^{t} on 25th Street near the 3^{d} Avenue much good would result from having a full complement of men to the same.

They accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Chief Engineer be directed to Report as Members of Fire Engine Company N° 46 the usual complement of men viz^{t} Twenty six men

Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
James Palmer
Samuel Stevens
Jn° Rogers
W Scott

Which was approved and the resolution adopted

The Committee on Common [167] Schools presented a Report relative to the annual appropriation for the support of the Common Schools.

The Committee on Common Schools Report.

The "Commissioners of School money" for this County are required by Law, to make the annual distribution on or before the first day of June. The Chamberlain of the City has received from Albany Ten thousand two hundred and seventy four Dollars 69 Cents being our share of the State Fund for this year. The revised Statutes require the Corporation to place a like sum to the credit of the "Commissioners of School money" in one of the Incorporated Banks on or before the first day of May and by a Statute of 1829 the Corporation are empowered to raise an additional sum equal to one eightieth of One per Cent on all the taxable property of the City this Tax has been levyed and amounts to Fourteen thousand and seventy one dollars, the Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for Twenty four thousand three hundred and forty five dollars 69 Cents and place the same in the Mechanics Bank to the credit of the "Commissioners of School Money"

G Lee
[168] Jn° Rogers
Fyler Dibblee
David Bryson
Henry Arcularius

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and the Comptroller directed to Report a Warrant for the sum of $24.345 $^{69}/_{100}$ agreeably thereto

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Sidewalks of Norfolk street between Rivington & North streets paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition to have the Side walks of Norfolk street paved between Rivington *to* [&] North street, Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted—And accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of Norfolk street be regulated and paved from Rivington street to North street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

[169] Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel D Smith & others to have Iron pipes laid across Greenwich street to convey water by surface gutters off that Street presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Daniel D Smith and others to have tunnels or Iron pipes laid across Greenwich street, at the several intersecting Streets as a substitute for the present mode of conveying the water by surface Gutters over that Street.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners, and therefore submit the following resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Alderman B M Brown agreeably to notice given moved that the Board reconsider the [170] *the* Vote taken on the 3^{d} May upon the Resolution proposed by M^{r} Engs in relation to a Location for a Jail

& Bridewell which was agreed to Alderman Stevens moved that the subject be referred back—Alderman Mott moved that the same be laid on the Table—The question being taken on Alderman Motts motion it was carried in the Affirmative.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Burton street paved between Bleecker and Bedford streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Burton street paved between Bleecker street and Bedford street

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that so much of Burton street as remains unpaved be regulated & Paved.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[171] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of L Deforeest & others to have Stone street repaved between Broad street and White hall street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to repave that part of Stone street lying between Broad street and White Hall street Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that part of Stone street ought to be repaved —and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Stone street be repaved from Broad street to White Hall street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For building a Sewer and repaving part of Stone street and Abra-

ham Bloodgood Cornelius J Roosevelt & Pine Hopkins were appointed Assessors.

[172] For paving Burton street between Bleecker and Bedford streets and Gideon Tucker Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts were Appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Norfolk street from Rivington to North street and David Lyon, William Lockwood and Charles Dusenbery were appointed Assessors.

For re-paving Stone street from Broad street to White Hall street and John Lozier, Abraham Baudoine & Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

The Alderman and Assistant of the first Ward to whom was referred the resignation of Henry Brevoort Junr as one of the School Commissioner of said Ward presented the following Report.

The Alderman and Assistant of the first Ward to whom was referred the resignation of Henry Brevoort as one of the Commissioners of School money Report

The following Resolution

Resolved that Francis Olmsted of the first Ward be and he is hereby [173] appointed one of the Commissioners of School money for the City of New York

Peter J Nevius
James I Roosevelt Jr

Which was approved and he was accordingly appointed.

Mr Bryson rose in his place and stated that he begged leave to resign the Office which he held as Commissioner of School money for the Fourth ward. The Question being taken thereon the Resignation of Mr Bryson was accepted—Mr George E Smith was then nominated to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr Bryson['s] resignation, and on the question being taken thereon it was unanimously agreed to, and he was appointed accordingly.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward to whom was referred the resignation of Isaac Duyckman as Commissioner of School money presented the following Report

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Resignation of Isaac Duyckman Report the annexed Resolution for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that Isaac L Varian is hereby appointed Commissioner

of School money for the [174] Twelfth Ward in the place of Isaac Dyckman Resigned

G Lee
Peter Cooper

Which was approved the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly appointed

The Special Committee to whom was referred the Resolution of Alderman Stevens relating to the supply of Water by the Manhattan Company presented a Report which was Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Special Committee on Pauperism presented a Report relative to the purchase of Barn Island as a suitable place for a Farm connected with the Alms House which was laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members

Alderman Lee presented the following Resolution which was agreed to.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House be requested to detach from Thirty to Fifty prisoners from Blackwells Island to work on the 3d Avenue and that they be empowered to appoint a suitable number of Keepers to [175] take charge of them.

On Motion of Alderman Strong the Report of the Committee on Assessments on the Petition of the Trustees of La Fayette Fire Insurance Company laid on the Table on 5th April last was called up, and on Motion was referred back to the same Committee.

On Motion the Report of the Committee on Assessments upon the Petition of Owners of Williamsburgh Ferry for relief from Tax which was Laid on the Table on 22d February last was called up and read as follows.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Remsen and others owners of the Williamsburgh Ferry, to be relieved from a Tax on the property of the Company

Respectfully Report.

That several of the Proprietors appeared before the Committee, and stated that they were not an incorporated Company, but merely an association holding the Ferry in their individual right; and that the Amount of their individual interests in the Ferry were assessed to each, with the residue of their personal property.

From the above statement the [176] Committee are of opinion that the Tax imposed on the Association is erroneous inasmuch as the

proprietors are otherwise assessed for the same. and believing that it cannot legally be recovered, offer for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax on the amount of $25,000 imposed on the property of the Williamsburgh Ferry Company be and the same is hereby remitted

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Thos Jeremiah
Jona Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Mr Mandeville agreeably to notice given moved that the Board now Reconsider the vote given on the 17th Inst adopting the 3d Resolution of the Report of the Joint Committee on Repairs & Arts & Sciences on the Resolution relative to the Alteration of the Cupola on the City Hall and the appropriation therefor—The question being taken will the Board reconsider the said Vote, it passed in the Negative.

Alderman Mott presented the [177] following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to inquire into the expediency of repaving Nassau street from the Intersection of Beekman to Spruce street.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account.

Balance as per Act 17th Inst	512.45
Recd for Tax of 1829	12.403.
" " Rents	6.284.83
" " Lottery Licences	1.000.
" " Police Office	743.63
" " Public Administrator	281.08
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	107.50
" " Clerk of Sessions fees	98.44
" " Mayoralty fees	48.
" " Justices Courts	22.26
	$21.501.19

58 Accounts Audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist			1386.
Astin & Field	do 2d		994.
Stagg & Herring	Do 3d		945.
T. J Waters Clerk Comptrollers Office	1 Qr 24 May		250.
O Ayres & J Coffin Asst City Inspectors	1 Mo 1 June		117.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall	"	"	77.50
[178] C Myers Keeper Pottersfield	"	"	69.75

T *Austin* [Asten] Strt Inspector		1 Ward	1 Mo	1 June	46.50
T Woolcocks	Do	2d	"	"	46.50
J. B Ebbetts	Do	3d	"	"	46.50
N B Lyon	Do	4th	"	"	46.50
I. A Isaacs	Do	5th	"	"	46.50
A Morris	Do	6th	"	"	46.50
F Gantz	Do	7th	"	"	46.50
Wm G Babb	Do	8th	"	"	46.50
H B Roome	Do	9th	"	"	46.50
T Austin	Do	10th	"	"	46.50
A Hatfield	Do	11th	"	"	46.50
E Kingsland	Do	12th	"	"	46.50
D Hubbard	Do	13th	"	"	46.50
P. Field	Do	14th	"	"	46.50
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Accounts.....					53.37
George Duryea Clerk Fulton		Market	"	"	87.86
L Baum	do	Washington	do	"	"	80.67
J Bremner	Do	Catharine	Do	"	"	62.
J M Devoy	Do	3	Do	"	"	58.50
J Gilbert	do	Clinton & Greenwich	do	"	"	56.56
S Fleet	Do	Centre	Do	"	"	49.
R Smith	Do	Franklin	Do	"	"	38.75
Jas Seaman	Do	Manhattan	Do	"	"	31.
J Pinckney & A Parker Asst Board of Health				"	"	104.
J Coffin Asst City Inspectr removg Nuisances				"	"	29.31
[179] A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 30 May.....						136.53
Saml Judd 27 Casks Oil.....						1628.55
G Snethen Lightg Lamps			1 Mo	1 June.....		1362.65
R Provoost painting & glazing Lamps &			"	"		81.02
J Hays for Officers Extra Service Police 1 Qr 26 May....						237.83
J Hays for do conveying persons to City Prison 1 Qr 1 May						237.
J Hays do do to Penitentiary & House of Refuge.....						12.
Abm M Valentine late Special Justice 14 days Salary to 26 May						61.37
Ogden Hoffman Dist Atty Salary 1 Qr 25 May.....						750.
D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 June.....						32.50
Wm Isaacs Acting Clk Justices Court 5. 8. 14 Wards 18 days in May.....						36.98
Silvanus Miller Public Administrator Salary 1 Year 1 May 1830						1250.
Geo: Lovett bal filling & reg 3d St fm Avenue A to Lewis St.....						4439.80
T Cummings Actt reg 21st St fm 5 Avenue to Hudson River						1000.
R Pettigrew bal reg & pavg 8. 9. 10. 11 Sts between Bowery & 3d Avenue.....						957.33

A Bloodgood & 30 Associates for Assessing reg & pavg sundry Streets and Wells & Pumps fm 14 Dcr 1829 to 24 May 1830	631.50	
R Pettigrew bal repavg Pine fm Nassau to Pearl St	113.31	
P. Smith bal repavg Provoost St bwn Hudson & Greenwich St	54.88	
Abm Storms 1st 2d & 3d payt building Bulkhead at James Slip	1346.88	
Mercantile Advertiser for advertisg to redeem on Sale 13th Oct 1828 for Nonpayt of Assessments & in Albany Argus	54.62	
Thos S Richards 50 Iron Pipes for Public Reservoir	720.	
L Murray Treasr City Dispensary for Vaccine Dept ordd 17 Inst	600.	
J Groshon Treas Northern Dispensary " "	200.	
C Gillman Keeper of Battery 17 days in May	21.25	
[180] A McCready Keeper of Park 17 days in May	21.25	
J. C Osborn Keeper of Washington Square 17 days in May	12.75	21.141.21
Balance		$359.98

Board Adjourned to Monday the 14th day of June next.

[181] In Common Council June 14, 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph M Beadel
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
James Palmer	Fyler Dibblee
Thomas T Woodruff	John Lovett
	Philip W Engs.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

Alderman Meserole presented the following Resolution which was adopted

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to make suitable arrangements for the Celebration [182] of the ensuing Anniversary of our Independance The Mayor appointed on that Committee Alderman Meserole Seaman Mr Mandeville Alderman B M Brown Nevius.

Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Keeper of the City Prison for the time being shall be the Keeper of the Public Pound in the vicinity of the Gaol and any provision of any Ordinance inconsistent with this Resolution is hereby repealed.

A Petition of John Sidell First Marshall for permission to assign places for Booths for the ensuing 4th July without the profits was read and referred to the Committee of Arrangements for celebrating 4th July

Alderman Palmer presented a Resolution respecting the Portraits in the Hall and also to prohibit the sale of Spiritous liquors in the Booths on the 5th July next which were read and no order taken on them.

[183] Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be requested to mark off as resigned such names as may appear as Firemen on the Register kept in his Office, but who are not returned on the Annual Report of the Chief Engineer.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution Resolved that the Committee on Repairs enquire and Report to this Board, whether it is not advisable to adopt for the use of our Public Wells the cast Iron Pump in the place of those now in use, and they ascertain the Cost of such as are now used in Albany

Mr Dibblee presented the following

Resolved that the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby authorised to procure a sample Iron Pump from Messrs J. & J Townsend at Albany with a view to the introduction of them into this City should it be found expedient. Also a letter from the Mayor of Albany—When the whole were referred to the Committee on Repairs.

A Communication was received from Robert Bogardus withdrawing his Name [184] from a Petition to have Cherry Street widened from Catharine street to James Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Communication was received from Jameson Cox Collector of Assessments resigning said Office was read and accepted.

A Petition of Jonathan Lyon relative to the Completion of West street from Hammond to Jane street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Communication from John Leveridge Esq[r] praying that a Settlement may be made with the persons who became Bail for the discharge of the Sheriff of Richmond County in 1826 was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Petition of the Trustees of Columbia College praying that the Engine House in Murray street near the Corner of Chapel street may be removed and a surrender made of the ground on which said House stands was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[185] A Petition of Doc[r] F Pascalis praying for the establishment of a Registry of Births Marriages and Deaths in the City of New York was read and referred to the Police Committee with power to print the same.

A Communication was received from John W Merrit stating that he has acted for the late Attorney Lemuel Smith during his illness, that there is much business now pending in the different Ward Courts, and suggesting the propriety of specially authorizing some person to take charge of the unfinished business of that Office.

Whereupon Alderman B M Brown presented the following which was adopted.

Whereas in consequence of the death of Lemuel Smith Esq[r] the Attorney of this Board, that Office has become vacant.

Resolved that the duties of the said Office be discharged by the Counsel of the Board during the pleasure of the Common Council.

A Petition of George G Coffin & others for an Election for Alderman in the Fifth ward in the place of David Rogers Esq[r] who is now absent was read and Laid on the Table.

[186] A Petition of Saul Alley & others to have Pine street widened at the corner of William street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Suydam and others to repave South street between Old and Coenties Slip was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of J Conrey presenting various charges against Resolvent Stephens Clerk in the Police Office for purchasing goods supposed to be stolen from prisoners not accounting for such property in the Police Office &c &c was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of George W Skellorn late Keeper of the City Prison to be remunerated for certain monies paid for retaking Prisoners who escaped from Bridewell was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Sinclair for Lease of the Rotunda for any time deemed proper to exhibit Panoramic views was read and Laid on the Table.

[187] A Petition of Edward Jones to have Dover street widened from Water to South street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Gilbert S Mount and others for the extension of the Piers on the East and West side of James Slip was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of John C Ackerman J Darrow, Daniel Riker & Anthony Fick severally to be appointed to the Office of Wood Inspector were read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Mrs T Turk for permission to place a Cistern in Liberty street and another in William street opposite her premises was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Isaac Leach to have a Penalty remitted on a judgment obtained against him for a Nuisance in 16th Street he having paid the Costs of Court and fees of the Corporation Attorney were read and referred to the Police Committee.

[188] A Petition of William Carver for a Donation from the Corporation was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

A Communication from Jameson Cox Register of Deeds &c in relation to the propriety of having a Fire Proof Building for the Records &c was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs & Public Offices.

A Petition of Henry Pratt Lessee of District N° 4 Public Docks for a deduction of Rent was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Abijah Arden and others for a Gore of ground on Ann street adjoining their property was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Richard D Titus to be relieved from a Fine for driving a Cart for a Licensed Cartman was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Jeremiah F Craig to be reinstated in Fire Company N° 8 was [189] read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Jacob Manolt to transfer Stall N° 16 Fulton Market to Albert W Smith was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Albert W Smith to transfer Stall N° 14 Fulton Market to Joseph Smith was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Remonstrance of several of the Members of Fire Engine C° N° 13 against the appointment of David Wilson as a member thereof was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Meletiah Nash praying to be appointed Superintendent of the Observatory and Clock on the City Hall was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of Martha Williams and others for regulating and paving Clarkson street between Washington and West streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[190] A Petition of John Devlin and Michael Tally for payment of contract for paving and regulating Barrow street from Sixth Avenue to that part formerly called Reason street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Eliza Archibald praying that her husband may be released from the payment of a Fine and also from Jail for selling Liquors without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of William Poe to be appointed one of the City Guagers was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Charles Henry Hall for paving part of 6th Street between 2d & 3d Avenue, also a small street in rear of Tompkins Market was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Bennett & others to have 21st Street paved between 7th & 9th Avenues was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[191] A Petition of James H Lyon & others to have a house removed that encroaches on the Street N° 230 Elizabeth Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John F Delaplaine to have Bloomingdale Road regulated to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William J Pinckney and others to widen Side walks in Elizabeth street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The Chief Engineer presented the following return of Firemen, which was read the appointments made and the resignations accepted with the exception of the returns from Engine C°s N° 8 & N° 13 which were referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire Engine C°

N° 1

William Howard—Blind maker 35 Bridge S^t^

V^c^ Josiah M Foote Resigned

Caleb F Lathrop Resigned

N° 5

Benjamin Varick—Cooper 23 Liberty Street

V^c^ John F Havens Time Expired

[192] N° 6

Charles Hoffmire—Coach painter 60 Provoost S^t^

to fill the Company.

N° 15

Joseph W Abrahams Carpenter Mott Street

to fill the Company.

N° 28

James C Robinson Tanner 127 Centre S^t^

V^c^ James C Haff. Resigned

John L Spinolla—Accountant 200 Chambers S^t^ to fill the Company.

N° 33

James Palmer Carpenter 475 Cherry S^t^

V^c^ James Garson—Resigned

N° 35

Charles Henry Hall Gentleman Harlaem

V^c^ Andrew M^c^Gown Resigned

Dewitt C Loyd Cordwainer Harlaem V^c^ Peter Poillon Resigned

John James Cabinet Maker Harlaem
Sidney Udell Carpenter Harlaem } To fill the Company

N° 36

Thomas M Day Carpenter 37 Macdougal S^t^

V^c^ Joseph C Conklin Resigned

[193] Joshua W. Dickson
Mason 265 Hudson Street
John Westerfield Mason 13 Watts Street
Daniel Hogencamp Carpenter 25 Charlton S^t^ } To fill the Company

N° 40

Stephen White Glass cutter 38 Ludlow Street

V^c^ Beal L Dean Expelled

Richard Willis Glass cutter 85 Elizabeth St
William H Van Outersterp Cartman 88 Mott Street
} To fill the Company.

Fire Hook & Ladder Co
No 6

Thomas Higgins Carpenter 103 Clinton St
Vc John L Spinola Resigned.

Fire Wardens Co
6th Ward

Beal L Dean Cordwainer Elizabeth St
Vc John Eagle—Time Expired

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports [194] the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No					
	1.	Peter A Jay	owner	Stanton Co Norfolk St	Lots
	2.	Nichs Fish	"	W side Avenue B	Plot of ground
	3.	Augustus Wynkoop	"	North St	Yard
	4.	Estate of Thos Gardner	"	Norfolk St	Lots
	5.	Manhattan Bank	"	Mercer St	Lots
	6.	Elbert Herring	"	Green St	do
	7.	John R Livingston	"	Pitt St	Do
	8.	Peter Ogilvie	"	W side Willet St	Do
	9.	Do	"	E side "	Do
	10.	Do	"	W side Sheriff	Do
	11.	Henry Pray	"	N side Hammond	Yard
	12.	Walter Bowne	"	W side Willet	Lot
	13.	E E Bancker	"	E side Suffolk	Yard
	14.	James Goodman	"	N W Cor Essex & Stanton	Lot
	15.	W & G Post	"	44 Essex St	do
	16.	Chester Jennings	"	S side Lombardy St	Lots
	17.	Charles Lawrence	"	N side Harman St	Lots
	18.	Robert Tillotson & wife	"	W side Gouverneur St	Lot
	19.	Marinus Willet	"	452 Grand St	Cellar
	20.	E N Bibby	"	W side Gouverneur St	Lot
	21.	Maria C Gouverneur	"	Do	Do
	22	Saml L Gouverneur	"	Do	Do
	23.	Louisa A Verplank	"	Do	Do
	24.	Robert Tillotson	"	Do	Lots
	25.	E N Bibby	"	Do	Do
	26	Maria C Gouverneur	"	Do	Do
	27.	[195] Saml L Gouverneur	"	Do	"
	28.	Robt Tillotson & wife	"	Do	"

29.	Marie C Gouverneur	Owner	N side Harman St	Lot
30.	Stephen Whitney	"	S W cor Lombardy & Gouverneur St	Lots
31.	Do	"	N W cor do	"
32.	Elijah Applegate	"	N side Henry St	"
33.	Isaac T Ludlum	"	do	"
34.	Do	"	S side Do	"
35.	Samuel Rathbone & Henry Bender	" & Occupant	No 8 Desbrosses St	Yard & Stable

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well & Pump in Seventeenth street near the 8th Avenue which was confirmed and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Committees on Public Offices and Repairs presented a Report on the subject of the removal of the Court of Sessions from the Sessions Hall accompanied with the following Resolution. "Resolved that the holding of the said Courts in the City Hall is contrary to the Ordinances of this Common Council and the Mayor is hereby requested to communicate this Resolution to the presiding Judges [196] of the said Courts respectively."

The Report was opposed on the ground that the subject had not been referred to the Committee. A considerable debate arose thereon, and a Motion was made to refer back the Report and Resolution which was lost. A motion was made to reject the whole, but no question was taken thereon. A motion was then made to refer the Resolution independant of the Report to the same Committee, the question being taken thereon the Board was equally divided, and the Mayor gave his Vote in the Affirmative, so the Resolution was referred back. A motion was then made to reject the Report which the Mayor declared out of order.

The Special Committee on subject of the Mandamus from the Supreme Court in relation to the Election of David Rogers as Alderman of the 5th Ward presented a Report. The same was objected to on the ground that the Report was made without the knowledge of two of the Committee, considerable debate arose thereon and it was finally referred back to the same Committee. Alderman Seaman & Mr Bryson requested to be discharged from the Committee but the Board refused to grant their request [197] On Motion of Mr Bryson the Committee was directed to Report at the next meeting of the Board.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips presented a Report relative to building Piers at Barrow street which was read and Laid on the Table.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee of Arrangements to Report thereon.

Resolved that John Sidell, Jacob Hays Douw D Williamson and John Ahern receive the Amount received from the Booths on the ensuing Anniversary of our Independance.

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that in all cases where the purchasers of any of the State Prison Lots who may have given Bonds and Mortgages to secure the purchase Money for the same shall request such Bonds & Mortgages to be assigned over to any other person, such Assignments may be executed and authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board and may be delivered by the Comptroller to such Assignees on payment of the [198] amount due for principal and interest on such Bonds and Mortgages together with the expences of such assignments.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash account.

Balance per Acct[t] 31 May	359.98
Rec[d] for Tavren Licences	16.976.
" " Streets	9.823.59
" " Rents	5.768.94
" " Auction Sales	2.500.
" " Street Manure rec[d] for May	2.847.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1.452.50
" " Fines of Attorney	647.17
" " Justices Courts	613.22
" " Arrears of Tax	336.10
" " Wells & Pumps	142.10
" " Superior Court fees	101.25
" " Mayoralty fees	92.75
" " District Attorneys fees	90.61
" " Commutation Quaker fines	71.70
	$49.937.79

41 Accounts audited & directed to be paid.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch	1[st] Dist	$1386.
Astin & Field	2[d] "	994.
Stagg & Herring	3[d] "	945.
U Wenman Chief Engineer 1 Q[r] Salary 8 June		200.
[199] D Hageman Superd[t] Wharves 1 Q[r] 5 June		150.

John L Cregier Clerk issuing Tavren Licences 28 days....	56.
William Bleecker do Do "	56.
N Ludlum & H C Porter Marshals 13th Ward attends do 2 days each.....	6.
G W Skellorn late Keeper City Prison & 2 Depts Salary 1 Mo 1 June.....	166.66
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks 13 June.....	149.09
Valleau & Flander 84 days Superdtg cleansing Sewers.....	126.
J M Bloodgood Superdt Streets Expences 1 Mo 1 June....	3183.98
A Dally & Associates Comrs fees &c openg 5th Avenue fm 13th to 21st St	419.28
R Emmet Attorneys Costs &c do Do	261.48
S Parker & Associates Comrs fees &c widng Jacob St bn Frankfort & Ferry St	101.
R Emmet Attorneys Costs &c Do Do	236.98
S Purdy & Associates Comrs fees &c openg 11th St fm Broadway to Greenwich Lane	571.59
R Emmet Attorneys Costs &c Do Do	372.63
J Slidell & Associates Comrs fees &c Openg 6th St fm Broadway to Bowery abandoned..	230.50
J Leonard & Associates " fees &c openg 17th St fm 3d to 6th Avenue refd to New Commissioners.....	455.05
T Cummings bal reg 21st St fm 5th Avenue to Hudson River	508.05
M Tally Actt reg & pavg Troy St fm Greenwich Lane to Asylum St	250.
T Cummings Actt reg 19th & 20th Sts between 6th & 8th Avenue	250.
J Lyon Actt reg & pavg Greenwich St fm Bank St to Kill Road	200.
J Pinkerton Actt pavg Side walks Amity near McDougall St.....	100.
Eben Smith bal buildg Tompkins Market.....	1550.
Wm Hockman repairs sundry Piers.....	1427.19
John Clark filling sundry Piers with Stone.....	55.12
R Graves St Comr Actt repairs Roads.....	500.
R Graves do Actt MacAdamizing 3d Avenue.....	500.
R Graves do Actt workg 86th St fm 3d Avenue to E [200] River	155.84
R Graves do Actt expenditures on Public Lands & Places	500.
R Philips & J Winton Marshals 7 Ward attends issuing Tavren Licences 3 days each.....	9.
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dept.....	1918.
J. P. Roome Do Docks & Slips.....	1046.
J. P. Roome Do Pumps	553.
J. P. Roome Do Repairs	356.
J. P. Roome Do Markets	350.
J. P Roome Do Watch	113.

A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House.....	5000.	
Commissioners of School Money for 1830.....	24345.69	49.754.13
Balance		$183.66

Board Adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock P M.

[201] In Common Council June 21—1830

(Adjourned Meeting)

Present. The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadel
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
James Palmer	Fyler Dibblee
Thomas T Woodruff	John Lovett
	Philip W Engs

The minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The unfinished busines of the last Meeting was taken up.

[202] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Repairing that part of Nassau street lying between Beekman & Spruce street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Repaving that part of Nassau street lying between Beekman and Spruce streets.

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that part of Nassau street ought to be repaved and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Nassau street be repaved from Beekman street to Spruce street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Anthony Tieman and others to have sunken Grounds between 17th & 23d Streets and Bloomingdale road and along Westerly side of 5th Avenue filled in, presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was [203] referred the annexed petition of Anthony Tieman and others to have the sunken grounds filled in between 17th and 23d Streets and the Bloomingdale road and on and along the Westerly side of the 5th Avenue.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the Petitioners have just cause of Complaint, and the evil complained of ought to be forthwith remedied, and as part of the sunken grounds complained of are in 18th Street, and as that street has been some time opened, Your Committee would also recommend that 18th Street be regulated from the Bloomingdale Road to the 8th Avenue, and accordingly submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the sunken grounds be filled up between the 17th and 23d Streets and the Bloomingdale road, and Two hundred feet Westerly of the 5th Avenue and that the City Inspector have the same carried into effect.

Resolved that Eighteenth Street be filled and regulated from the Bloomingdale Road to the Eighth Avenue and that the Street Commissioner report the draft of an Ordinance in order that the same may be carried into effect

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
[204] John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of having the Street between 6th & 7th Streets in rear of Tompkins Market paved, also to Report a suitable name for the said Street presented the following Report

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of having the Street between the 6th and 7th Streets in the rear of the Tompkins Market paved, and also to Report a suitable name for the said street

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that street ought to be paved, and that the Street should be called and known as "Hall street" that being the name

of the proprietor of the ground from whom this Corporation purchased the scite for a Market. Accordingly the following Resolutions are submitted.

Resolved that the Street lying between the 6th and 7th Streets in the rear of the Tompkins Market be regulated and paved

Resolved that the S[t]reet in the rear [205] of the Tompkins Market ground and lying between Sixth and Seventh streets be known and distinguished by the name of Hall Street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Inhabitants of Gouverneur street to have the side walks paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the Side walks of Governeur street between Harman street and Water street respectfully Report, that in their opinion the Walks of that [street] ought to be paved, and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the Side walks of Governeur street be paved from Harman Street to Water street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
[206] George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have a nuisance at present existing between First and Second streets and adjoining Avenue B abated presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have a Nuisance at present existing between first and Second streets and adjoining the Avenue B abated Respectfully Report.

That the cause of the evil complained of is a collection of waters on the vacant Lots between First and Second streets, and which in their

opinion ought to be filled up, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the sunken Lots between First and Second streets and adjoining the Avenue B be filled up, and the City Inspector adopt the necessary measures for having the same carried into effect.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
[207] George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of 3d Avenue paved between the Bowery and 13th Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of the 3d Avenue paved between the Bowery and 13th Street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walk of that Avenue ought to be paved to the Eleventh street and no farther at the present, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of the Third Avenue be paved from the Bowery to Eleventh street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom [208] was referred the Petition of Edward Holmes and others to have sunken Lots between the 6th & 7th Avenues and between 16th & 21st Streets filled up presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Edward Holmes and others to have the sunken Lots between the Sixth and Seventh Avenues and between 16th and 21st Streets filled up Respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion the Nuisance complained of ought to be abated, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it be referred to the City Inspector with instructions to have the subject of the foregoing Report carried into effect.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against opening 5th Avenue between 21st and 23d Streets presented the following Report against opening the same

[209] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for, and the remonstrance against opening the Fifth Avenue between 21st and 23d Streets

Respectfully Report.

That they have viewed the premises and duly considered the subject and are of the opinion that the opening of that part of the 5th Avenue is not required at present, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to open and continue the Fifth Avenue from the 21st to the 23d Streets.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Counsel on the confirmation of the Supreme Court of the Report of the Commissioners on opening the 5th Avenue, and widening Jacob street also on opening 11th Street presented a Report which was amended and agreed to in the words following.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Communication from the [210] Counsel to the Board, that the Supreme Court had confirmed the Report of the Commissioners in the matter of opening the 5th Avenue from 13th to 21st Streets. And Jacob street widening—Also the opening of Eleventh street from Broadway to Greenwich Lane, and that it remains with the Board to determine when the several subjects should be carried into effect—On all which your Committee report their opinion by the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the 5th Avenue be opened on the first day of August next and the Buildings and incumbrances removed therefrom within thirty days thereafter. This was amended by inserting, the first day of November next.

Resolved that the Eleventh street be opened on the first day of November next and the incumbrances removed from the same within thirty days thereafter.

Resolved that Jacob Street be opened on the first day of July next and the Buildings and incumbrances removed there from by the first day of August next following

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

[211] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen C Brown praying that certain Assessments for opening 14th & 15th Streets and 7th Avenue should be divided presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Stephen C Brown praying that certain Assessments for opening 14th & 15th Streets and 7th Avenue laid upon property formerly belonging to Peter Dustan deceased, should be divided and apportioned upon the different Lots composing such property.

Respectfully Report.

That having heard the reasons and arguments urged in favor of this application and carefully examined the subject with the assistance of the proper Officers of the Board, they are satisfied that it is not in the power of the Corporation to comply with the application, and if they had such power, that there are many reasons why it should not be exercised in the present case—They offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant any relief on the said Petition

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[212] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the application of G. B White relative to establishing Baths at Castle Garden presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of George B White praying for permission to place small buildings on the West side of the exterior of Castle Garden for the purpose of warm Sea water baths, and to moor a floating bath and make such use of the Sea water as may be necessary for such purpose.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion, Public Baths properly conducted, contribute much to the health and comfort of the community, and that the Location proposed by the Petitioner is an eligible one for this purpose. The Committee therefore see no impropriety in giving the Assent of the Corporation to this application provided the Petitioner and the present Lessee of Castle Garden agree on the subject, and provided that such assent be not construed as any permission to erect any building or buildings not authorised by Law. They offer therefore the following Resolution

Resolved that the Petitioner have [213] the permission of the Corporation to establish the Baths proposed by him at Castle Garden so far as the same can be granted without impairing any rights under the existing Lease for that establishment, and so far as such baths or the buildings to be erected therefor may be according to Law.

W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Azel S Roe and Hugh Munro for the purchase of a Gore on 12th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Azel S Roe and Hugh Munro for the purchase of a Gore

Respectfully Report.

That the said Gore became the property of the Corporation by the proceedings for opening 12th Street between Broadway and the Bowery at the estimated price of $16.13 That the Petitioners have by purchase from William W Fisher become the owners of the land adjoining the said Gore and require the same to complete their front on the Street. The Committee therefore offer the following Resolution.

[214] Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed to the Petitioners for the said Gore of Land, they paying for the same the above sum with interest from the 1st day of February 1830 and the expences of the Deed, and that such Deed be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Costar for a renewal of Lease of Lot of common Land in the Twelfth ward presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Henry Costar for a renewal of a Lease held by him for a Lot of the Common Lands, Respectfully

Report.

That there are about three years of the said Lease yet unexpired, and as the Board have uniformly of late refused to extend the terms of unexpired Leases, the Committee see no reason [215] why the present case should form an exception to the rule so adopted—They therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to comply with the prayer of the said Petition.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee on the application of the Mechanics Society for a remission of rent of the Buildings occupied by the Society presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of the City of New York praying for a remission of the rent of the ground occupied by the said Society under Lease from the Corporation

Respectfully Report

That the Petitioners occupy a piece of ground fronting on Chamber Street and belonging to the Corporation which was leased to them at

the annual Rent of One hundred and twenty five Dollars. That the Corporation about five years ago, agreed to remit this Rent, for a period lately [216] expired, upon condition that the sum so remitted should be expended in the purchase of Books for the Library established by the said Society on the said premises for the use of Apprentices.

Your Committee on due enquiry have every reason to be satisfied that this condition has been faithfully complied with, and taking into consideration the great and increasing usefulness of the said Society by means of the School established under its auspices for the children of its deceased and indigent members, also of the charity dispensed by it, And more especially by its library, which tends in an eminent degree to disseminate useful knowledge and correct principles among the apprentices of this City, the Committee are of opinion that with a view to encrease the said Library and extend its utility, it would be proper to comply with the prayer of the Petition by continuing to remit the said rent upon the same terms for a further period. They submit therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that the annual Rent of $125, reserved in the Lease from the Corporation to the said Mechanics Society for the ground in Chamber street occupied by the buildings of the said Society be remitted for the further term [217] of Seven years from the 1st of May last upon condition that the said amount be annually appropriated by the said Society to the purchase of Books for the Apprentices Library, and that an Annual Report be made on or before the 1st of May of every year during the said seven years by the said Society to the Corporation shewing in what manner such appropriation shall have been made.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the applications of Jonas Platt and David B. Ogden Esqr for Counsel fees in the case of Leake's Will presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the applications of Jonas Platt and of David B Ogden Esqrs for the payment of Counsel fees for their services in the Court of Errors in the case relative to the Will of John G Leake

Respectfully Report

That having heard the statement of Judge Platt and Mr Ogden also of Mr Miller the Public Administrator and of Mr Ulshoeffer the former Counsel to this [218] Board, they are of opinion that those Gentlemen were employed as Counsel in the said cause on behalf of the Corporation, and that they rendered their services under the impression that they should receive compensation from the Corporation. It should be borne also in mind that the decision of the Chancellor in the said cause, was against the validity of the said Will, the effect of which was to give the Corporation a right to receive the whole amount of Mr Leakes personal estate, and that decision being appealed from the Corporation were fully justified in employing Counsel and using every effort to prevent a reversal in the Court of Errors. The amount applied for by Judge Platt is $1250, being the balance of his Account rendered and which is hereunto annexed—The sum claimed by Mr Ogden is $1000, If the result of the cause had been favorable the Committee do not think these amounts would be objectionable, but as the efforts of those gentlemen were not successful and as they have already received fees in the said cause, the Committee think there should be a reduction of the sums claimed. Mr Ogden has already received $250 for services in the Court of Errors and the Committee are of opinion that $500, in addition thereto would be under [219] all circumstances a fair compensation. In like manner they think $500, should be deducted from the sum claimed by Judge Platt which would leave the amount to be received by him at $750. The Committee submit therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to pay to David B Ogden Esquire the sum of Five hundred dollars, and to Jonas Platt Esqr the sum of Seven hundred and fifty Dollars in full for their respective services as Counsel in the late controversy relative to the Will of John G Leake deceased.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Morton street near Washington street presented the following Report.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Morton street near Washington Street Respectfully

[220] Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much wanted at that place and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and Pump placed therein near the Intersection of Morton and Washington streets

James N Wells
John Rogers
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John L Hyer for Stall N° 53 Washington Market presented the following Report.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John L Heyer for Stall N° 53 Washington Market Respectfully

Report.

That the same is accompanied with the necessary transfer from David Brown the present occupant and also with a Certificate of Qualification.

They offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted to John L Heyer for Stall N° 53 [221] Washington Market.

Benjamin M Brown
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman
B. J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Caleb F Lindsley of Fire Company N° 9 for remission of Fine for running the Engine on the side walk presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Caleb S Lindsley of Fire Engine C° N° 9 for remission of Fine

Beg leave respectfully to Report

That the members of that Fire Company have been heard before your Committee, and the fact admitted by them of the running of

the Fire Engine on the walk contrary to Law, but they stated that in their opinion the complaint was made with malicious feelings towards them, the Street Inspector of the first ward (who made the complaint) appeared also before the Committee and expressly disavowed being actuated by any improper motives and your Committee would state that in their opinion it was under a sense [222] of duty incumbent on him in the strict discharge of the Office Committed to his trust, and as it is of importance that this wholesome & salutary Ordinance should be enforced not only for the protection of property both Public and Private, but also for the protection of the lives of our Citizens they accordingly offer for the consideration of the Board viz[t]

Resolved that in the case of the Petition of Caleb F Lindsley it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the same, and on payment of the Fine, the Attorney of the Board be and he is hereby directed to pay the amount to the Treasurer of the Fire Department Fund.

Benjamin M Brown
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers
James Palmer
W Scott
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Mary J De Lancy to be relieved from an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee on Assessments to [223] whom was referred the Petition of Mary J Delancey to be relieved from an Erroneous Tax

Respectfully Report

That M[rs] De Lancey testifies that she was Assessed on her personal property in the Fifth Ward on $10,000 while she was worth no personal estate.

It appears also by her statement that she removed out of Town shortly after the death of her husband which took place five or six years since, and that she remained out of town until a few months previous to the Assessors making their Assessment in 1829, that she was not aware of her being assessed until the Assessors Books were closed and that from the circumstance of her never having been Assessed before, she was totally ignorant of the Law governing Assessments.

The Certificate of the Assessors corroborates her Statement and the Committee offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the personal Tax of Mary J Delancey in the 5th Ward be and the same is hereby remitted.

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Thomas Jeremiah
Jon[a] Seymour
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[224] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John M[c]Comb and others Trustees &c of the New York La Fayettee fire Insurance Company to be relieved from the payment of a Tax assessed upon property of said Company for 1829 presented the following Report

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of John M[c]Comb and others Trustees of the estate and effects of the New York La Fayette Fire Insurance Company praying to be relieved from the payment of a Tax assessed upon the property of the said Company for the year 1829.

Respectfully Report.

That it has been proved to their satisfaction that in consequence of Losses sustained by the said Company, the business thereof was discontinued in the early part of the year 1829 and that during the March term of the Court of Chancery in the said year a Petition was presented to the said Court for the dissolution of the said Company upon which application, an order was made, on the Eighteenth day of June in the said year, dissolving the said Company and appointing the Petitioners, Trustees thereof; and no income or profit has been derived by the said Company from its Capital or otherwise since the 3[d] of [225] March 1829.

Upon these facts, the Committee are of opinion that the Capital Stock of the said Company was not liable to taxation. The words of the Law confines such liability expressly to monied or Stock Corporations deriving an income or profit from their Capital or otherwise, and the Tax from which relief is sought in the present case was Assessed upon the balance of Capital paid in, after deducting the value of the Real estate belonging to the Company which Capital it appears had ceased to be at all productive long before the Assessors entered upon their duties according to Law. They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Tax of the La Fayette Insurance Company for 1829 be and the same is hereby remitted.

George D Strong
Thomas Jeremiah
Henry Arcularius
Jonathan Seymour
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of David Marvin to have an Assessment on his Lot in [226] the 11th Ward [apportioned] presented a Report in favor of the same, which was read and the Report referred back to the Committee.

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was agreed to.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House & Bridewell be directed to enforce the Law with regard to the running at large of Swine in the City of New York.

Alderman Palmer resented the following Resolution which was laid on the Table.

Resolved that if the Common Council give leave to have Booths around the Park Battery &c that the persons having those Booths be prohibited from selling all kinds of Ardent spirits or distilled Liquors.

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was read, the question being taken thereon it was negatived.

Resolved that the Portraits belonging to the Corporation be kept in the City Hall, and that hereafter none of them shall be Loaned to any person or persons whatsoever.

[227] Mr Lovett presented the following Resolution which was read and adopted.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Wharves give notice in the papers employed by the Board to the owner or owners of Sloop Maria Ann which was sunk in the Basin at the foot of Jay street that unless they appear and pay the Charges incurred in raising said Sloop she will be sold at Public Auction on Saturday the 26th Instant.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

Resolved that the public Interest requires that the number of Inspectors of Anthracite Coal be increased to eight.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire and Report on the propriety of widening and repaving the Side walks on the North side of Duane street between Augustus and Cross street.

Alderman Strong presented the [228] following Resolution which was read and Laïd on the Table.

Resolved that the Court of General Sessions be hereafter held in the City Hall in the Room formerly occupied by them.

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was read and agreed to.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures to obtain from the Commissioners of the Land Office a grant to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York of so much of the Land under Water of the East river or Sound as lies between High and Low water mark on the Long Island shore opposite to the two Lots belonging to the said Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty at Williamsburgh.

Alderman Stevens presented the following Resolution which was read and agreed to.

Resolved that it be the duty of the Keepers of the Penitentiary and Bridewell to Report the escape of all prisoners from their respective establishment at the first Meeting of the Common Council after such escape.

The Alderman and Assistant of the [229] first Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump near the Intersection of Cedar near William street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the First Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump near the Intersection of Cedar and William street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much required at that place, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein near the Intersection of Cedar street and William street.

Peter J Nevius
J. I Roosevelt Jr
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Annual Report of the Trustees of the Public School Society was presented and ordered to be filed.

The Monthly Report of the Keeper of the City Prison and Bridewell was read and referred to the Police Committee.

[230] A Communication was received from Elijah T Pinckney Esq[r] Assistant Justice of the 9[th] and 11[th] Wards resigning said Office which was in the words following Viz[t]

To the Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor of the City of New York.

Sir

I Consider it my duty to apprise you that it is my intention to resign my station of Assistant Justice of the Ninth and Eleventh Wards. It has occurred to me that the Public Interest might be injured in doing this immediately, inasmuch as pending Suits previously adjourned would thereby become abated. to enable the Common Council to supply the Vacancy in due Season. and to produce as little derangement in the business of the Court as possible, I announce my resignation to take place. on the first day of August next.

Respectfully &[c]

New York 21[st] June 1830. Elijah T Pinckney

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Communication was received from James Campbell Esq[r] Surrogate relative to the removal of his Office from the City Hall to the Old Alms House was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices.

[231] A Petition of Aaron Smith for the Office of Police Magistrate was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

M[r] Roosevelt presented a Resolution directing the Clerk of the Common Council respectfully to inform the Judges of the Courts of the United States holden in the City that in consequence of the increase of State & County Courts &c the City Hall is no longer adequate to the public accommodation and requesting a representation be made to the Secratary of the Treasury that other accommodation may be provided for the said Courts by the General Government which was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Remonstrance of David Lydig & others against widening Dover street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Crawbuck for Stall N° 1 Franklin Market lately occupied by his father Peter Crawbuck was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the owner and Masters of Providence Packets for

the exclusive use of the head of Fly Market Slip and also of the [232] New York and Boston Steam Boat Compy^{s} and others for Births were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Foulke to have certain repairs done to his Stables for injuries occasioned in blasting Rocks at 86th Street was read and referred to the Road Committee with power.

A Memorial of the Republican Ward Committee of the 5th Ward for a new Election for Alderman of said Ward was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of William Bloodgood to be released from an erroneous Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Communication of Samuel D Rogers Esq^{r}, son of Alderman Rogers was received stating that from advice lately received from his father his speady return is very doubtful and therefore he is justified in stating that his father will not disapprove of any measure taken by his friends & Constituents in relation to his seat at the Board, which was read and Laid on the Table.

[233] A Petition of Robert B Dore and others to postpone Assessment for opening the 7th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Eli Corey and others to have the side walks in Thompson street laid between Prince and Houston street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of J Green Pearson for permission to Build Cisterns on Bond street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Smith and Andrew Gifford was received stating that the Commissioners on opening 11th Street have assessed to the Corporation a portion of *the* ground the remainder of the Jews Cemetery, that the same fronts on their property and *turns* [shuts] them out from the Street. They therefore request permission may be given to remove the Corpses there interred and permit Petitioners to purchase the same at the sum the same is valued at by the Commissioners [which] was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Concklin and others to have 20th Street paved from 6th Avenue to 9th Avenue was read and referred to the Street Committee

[234] A Petition of Owen M^{c}Cabe for balance due him on his Contract for paving Jane street and part of the First Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Harris for the Office of City Guager was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Samuel Dick for the appointment of Inspector of Fire wood for the first District was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers and Slips.

A Petition of Ezra C Terry for permission to transfer Lease of property corner of William and Duane street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Richard S Williams and others praying that the Law prohibiting the selling of small meats in the Country Markets may be repealed was read and referred to the Market Committee.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was [235] read, the appointments made and Resignation accepted.

Fire Engine C°

N° 3

John Crainess Carpenter Spring Street—To fill the Company

N° 13

William E Crooker Distiller 29 Roosevelt S^{t}

V^{c} John W Shipley—Resigned

The Counsel presented the following Report relative to the Resignation of James Campbell as Commissioner in the matter of 17th Street.

The Counsel to the Board begs leave to Report that James Campbell Esq^{r} who was appointed one of the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment on opening 17th Street from the 6th Avenue to the 3^{d} Avenue, did on the 18th day of June instant refuse to Act as a Commissioner in the said matter.

It becomes necessary therefore that the Board should pass a Resolution authorising application to be made for the appointment of a Commissioner in the place of M^{r} Campbell. The following is respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board be authorized to make application according to Law [236] for the appointment of a Commissioner of Estimate and Assessment in the place of James Campbell Esq^{r} who has refused to act in the matter of opening 17th Street from 3^{d} Avenue to 6th Avenue.

Resolved that the necessary papers be authenticated by the Clerk of the Common Council in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

Respectfully submitted

R Emmet

Whereupon the Counsel was directed to carry the Resolutions in the foregoing Report into effect.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto.

For regulating 18th Street from Bloomingdale Road to 8th Avenue and Abraham Dally, Samuel Purdy and Peter Ogilvie Jr were appointed Assessors.

For a Well and Pump near the intersection of Morton and Washington streets and John Leonard Alpheus Sherman and Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors

For paving Side walks of 3d Avenue from Bowery to 11th Street and John Harris, Jedediah B Liester and John Slidell were appointed Assessors.

[237] For paving Side walks of Governeur street from Harman to Water street and John Targee Abraham Quick and Reuben Munson were appointed Assessors.

For paving Hall street from 6th to 7th Street and James Fairlie, Peter Stagg and Abraham Lefoy were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Nassau street from Beekman to Spruce street and Shivers Parker Thomas R Smith and Samuel Gilford Jr were appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in William near Cedar street and John Lozier, Abraham Baudoine and Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Mrs T Turk for permission to place a Cistern in Liberty street, and also one in William street in front of her building presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Taneke Turk for permission to build Cisterns under the Side walks at the corner of William and Liberty streets Respectfully

[238] Report.

That Mrs Turk has occupied so much of her grounds with buildings, that there is not sufficient room for Cisterns on the premises, and although evils have arisen from having Cisterns built in the Streets yet your Committee think that if any are constructed in a proper manner no serious evil would be experienced by having them placed under the Street walks, and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Taneke Turk have permission to build a Cistern under the side walk in front of her building in Liberty street, and also in front of her building in William street provided the same

shall be constructed of Brick or Stone in the most substantial manner with an Iron grate in the neck and a stone covering laid level with the walk and the water drawn off through the Cellar wall, the whole to be done under the directions of the Street Commissioner and to his satisfaction.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[239] The Special Committee to whom was referred the Mandamus in relation to the Election of the 5th Ward presented the following Report

The Special Committee to whom was referred the conditional Mandamus from the Supreme Court on the subject of the 5th Ward Election

Respectfully Report

That it is still uncertain when Alderman Rogers will return— That a Respectable number of the Electors of the 5th Ward have Petitioned for an Election.

That the Counsel of the Board to whom the subject was referred has in an able and elaborate opinion clearly demonstrated the right to order an Election inherent in the Common Council.

That no solid, legal reasons can be assigned why an Election should not be ordered to fill the vacancy occasioned by the absence of Alderman Rogers.

And that in the opinion of your Committee it is the duty of the Common Council to order an Election forthwith

They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Office of Alderman of the 5th Ward be and the same is hereby declared to be vacant: And that the Common Council do accordingly order that a Special Election to fill the said vacancy be held in and for the said 5th Ward at the Hotel of Thomas Riley corner of Chapel & Provoost [240] streets on the Seventh and Eighth days of July next

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
David Bryson
John Rogers

Alderman Strong presented the following Report signed by himself and Mr Dibblee the Members of the Committee who had not signed the above Report, which was in the words following.

Whereas application has been made to this Common Council for permission to have a Special Election for Alderman of the 5th Ward in the place of Alderman Rogers who is absent in the West Indies.

And Whereas a Communication has been received from Samuel D Rogers Esqr son of Alderman Rogers, containing a virtual resignation of the Office in behalf of his Father, by and with the consent of his constituents & friends;

And Whereas the Republican Ward Committee of the 5th Ward friendly to Alderman Rogers has in a communication expressed their desire that the Election may take place—Therefore

Resolved, that this Common Council do order an Election for Alderman of the 5th Ward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Alderman Rogers, to be held in and for the 5th Ward [241] at the Hotel of Thomas Riley corner of Chapel & Provoost streets on the Twelfth and Thirteenth days of July next according to Law and that Robert M Russel, William Westervelt and John Van Beuren of the said Ward be and they are hereby appointed Inspectors of the said Election.

George D Strong
Fyler Dibblee

A considerable discussion arose, when Mr Engs moved the previous question, which was seconded, put and carried. The Question was then taken on the Resolution which was in the words following

"Resolved that, the Office of Alderman of the 5th Ward be and the same is hereby declared vacant and the Common Council do accordingly order that a special Election to fill the said vacancy be held in and for the said 5th Ward at the Hotel of Thomas Riley corner of Chapel & Provoost streets on the seventh and eighth days of July next according to Law." and a Division being called by Alderman Stevens it was carried in the Affirmative the Members voting as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius I Brown Seaman [242] B M Brown Wells Meserole Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Mandeville Bryson Scott Beadle Rogers Lovett Engs 16.

In the Negative Ald Mott Stevens Strong Palmer Mr Seymour Arcularius Jeremiah Dibblee 8

The Board were then proceeding to elect one Inspector of the Election in place of one who had resigned, at the last Election, and

the Members had prepared their Ballots, but it was determined that the case was provided for by Law and the Mayor was requested to destroy the Ballots unopened.

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the ensuing Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independance presented the following Report

The Committee appointed to make necessary arrangements for celebrating the approaching Anniversary of American Independance and to whom [243] was referred the Petition of John Sidell First Marshall for permission to assign the Booths without any compensation, and also the Resolution of Alderman Strong that the Profits arising from assigning the Booths may be apportioned among the same officers that it was last year Respectfully Report.

That they have duly considered the subject and offer as their opinion the following Resolution.

Resolved that Booths be assigned around the Park, Battery, Bowling Green &c in the usual manner by the first Marshal at the same rates as last year and that the Profits arising therefrom be accounted for by him to this Committee and that the same be equally divided beween the First Marshall, High Constable, Messenger and Assistant Clerk in the Mayors Office. Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
Peter J Nevius

Upon motion the Question on the Resolution proposed was divided and it was taken on that part directing Booths to be assigned—Alderman Stevens having called a Division the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Strong [244] Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff Mr Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadel Rogers Jeremiah Lovett Engs 16.

In the Negative Ald Nevius Mott Stevens Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Dibblee 7.

So it was carried in the Affirmative, the Question was then taken on the remaining part of the Resolution and was carried in the Affirmative, A Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Strong Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole [245] Mr Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadel Rogers Lovett Engs 14

In the Negative Ald Mott Stevens Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Mandeville Jeremiah Seymour Dibblee 9

Mr Roosevelt presented a Resolution prohibiting the Sale of Spiritous Liquors in the Booths a considerable debate was had thereon, but no question was taken, and a Motion was made to adjourn, which was carried in the Affirmative, and the Board Adjourned to the next regular Meeting on Monday next at 5 OClock

[246] In Common Council June 28th 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esqr Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadle
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Account of Coroner for services to the first of July 1 Quarter presented by the Comptroller was referred agreeably to Law, to [247] the Board of Supervisors.

Mr Bryson presented the following Resolution which was read and agreed to.

Resolved that so much of the Resolution passed by the Common Council on the 21st Instant as directs the Special Election to be held in the Fifth Ward on the 7th & 8th days of July next be and the same is hereby recinded, and that the said Election so ordered, shall be held on Tuesday and Wednesday the 13th & 14th July next according to Law.

A Motion was made by Alderman Strong that the Board now proceed to the Election of a Police Magistrate, the Question being taken thereon the Votes stood 12 Affirmative 11 Negative. the Mayor gave his vote in the Negative, the Motion was therefore lost.

An Invitation was received from the Managers of the New York Asylum for lying in Women to witness the Ceremony of laying the Corner Stone of a Building for the Institution about to be erected on the 1st July at 5 OClock P M in Orange near Prince street.

An Invitation was received from [248] Major General Morton to the Members of the Corporation to review the Corps of Artillery on Monday the 5th Inst in celebration of the 54th Anniversay of American Independence, under his Command on that day. Was read and Accepted.

A Petition of Francis Favereau Jr to be appointed a City Sealer in addition to the present Sealer, was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Joseph Curtis & Jacob P Bunting to Lease from the Corporation such parts of the Public Ground in the vicinity of the City Hall, as may be deemed proper to be occupied for a Public sink was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A Petition of Garret Forbes one of the City Weighers praying to be appointed one of the Inspectors and Weighers of Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The following Resolution was read and adopted.

[249] Resolved that the Members of the Board and Officers under the Corporation be supplied by the Clerk with the Laws of the last Session of the Legislature.

A Petition of John Hayre praying to be relieved from the payment of a Fine of $25, for removing grass from the ground near La Fayette Place contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of William Lawrence for Stall No 1 Grand street Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Stephen C Burdett to have a Tax on Real estate in the 6th Ward divided so that he can pay the Assessment due on his property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of Willet Seaman to be appointed to the Office of Collector of Assessments in the place of Jameson Cox Esqr resigned was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Gilbert S Mount and [250] others to have Market street widened from Harman to Division street, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William B Crosby and others for the erection of a

New Market in Catharine street between Water and South streets was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company N° 3 for a new Engine was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company N° 36 for a new Engine House to be located in the vicinity of the present Engine House was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the 12th Ward for an extension of Lamps and Watch District was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Isaac C Osborn to [251] be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of William H Perine & others for a Well & Pump in Mercer street near 5th Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Thomas R Mercien & others to have the side walks of 6th Street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Harris and others to have the Houses in 6th Street numbered was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Robert Halliday and Duncan Kenneday to have a nuisance occasioned by a stagnant pond of Water at the corner of Bank and Washington street removed was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John G Scott & others to have the Sidewalks of Downing street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee

A Petition of David Brown for [252] Butchers Stall N° 10 Greenwich Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James H Blasdell to be appointed an Inspector and Weigher of Anthracite Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of George Clinch and others to pave the side walks of 2d Avenue between 1st & 2d Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Nicholas W Messerve to be re-possessed of Stall N° 16 Fulton Market formerly occupied by him was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of William Munn to be relieved from the payment of a fine and Imprisonment for selling Liquors without a Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee with powers.

A Petition of Stephen Smith and others for filling 8th Street from Lewis street to Avenue D and raising and paving Lewis street from [253] North to 3d Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of F A C Brichta to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of William Davis to be discharged from confinement in the Debtors Prison on an execution for the recovery of a Penalty for violating the Law relative to Pilots &c was read and referred to the Police Committee with power.

A Remonstrance of Jeremiah Munro and others against the Petition of the "Union Line of Providence Packets" for a location for their Sloops was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Westfield & others to have certain vacant Lots near the corner of Broome and Pitt street fenced in was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of G Armstrong and others for a Well & Pump in Cherry street between Pike & Rutgers street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 7th Ward and Street Commissioner.

[254] The Motion that the Board proceed to the Election of a Police Magistrate was renewed by Alderman Lee and was agreed to.

The Board accordingly proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill that Office, when on opening and counting the Ballots it appeared that Oliver M Lowndes had a Majority of Votes and was declared duly elected.

Alderman Lee then moved that the Board proceed to elect a person to fill the Office of Attorney of the Board in place of Lemuel Smith Esqr deceased which was agreed to.

The Board accordingly proceeded to Ballot for the same and there being a Majority of Votes in favor of Jacob Wyckoff he was declared duly elected.

Alderman Lee presented a Resolution respecting the Resignation of Elijah T Pinckney as Assistant Justice for the 9th & 11th Wards which was read and Laid on the Table

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the resignations were accepted and appointments made Viz[t]

[255] Fire Engine C[o]

N[o] 5

John I Reilly Printer 55 Ann Street
V[c] Hugh W Taylor—Time Expired

William E Stoutenbergh Account[ant] 112 Fulton S[t]
V[c] John W Hyatt Time Expired

N[o] 7

Thomas Williams—Jeweller Center near Grand S[t]
To fill the Company

N[o] 8

Edward C Mead Carpenter 134 Elm S[t] V[c] John Welch—Resigned
Jeremiah Craig Expelled

N[o] 12

Joshua Bloodgood Mason 51 Beekman S[t]
V[c] Charles Larkey—Resigned

N[o] 13

Abraham Brown Accountant 7 James S[t]
V[c] Edward N Tailer Time Expired

N[o] 14

Joseph Freeze Painter 311 Washington S[t]
V[c] Elbert E Kip Resigned

N[o] 15

John B Gedney Brass founder 13 Stanton S[t]
John L Berrian Shoemaker 151 Centre S[t]
} To fill the Company.

[256] N[o] 18

John Myers—White Smith 17 Morton S[t]
V[c] Sylvester H Jones—Resigned

George Decker Clerk 39 Christopher Street
V[c] Peter Westervelt resigned

N[o] 22

Joseph H Hobby Grocer 109 Hester S[t]
To fill the Company.

N[o] 23

Mathew Bowden—Stone Cutter 448 Washington S[t]
V[c] John Parsons Resigned

Alexander Chisholm—Carpenter 448 Washington St
Vc William Wickham Resigned

No 25

John Craig—Cabinet Maker 144 Fulton St
Vc L E Davenport—Resigned

No 34

John V L Hoagland Carpenter 6th St near Grove St
To fill Company.

No 39.

Joseph Friese } Resigned
John J Reilly }

No 45

John Smalley Lawyer Yorkville Vc M. S. Parker Time Expired
Rufus Prime Mercht Yorkville Vc Stephen Huestis Resigned

Fire Hook & Ladder Co No 4

Israel W Lobb Cabinet Maker 20 Eldridge St
Vc Willet Place Resigned

[257] Fire Warden Co 8th Ward

James H Greenfield Merchant 295 Spring St
Vc Otis Harrington—Time Expired.

The Counsel of the Board presented the following Report relative to the resignation of Najah Taylor as a Commissioner &c

The Counsel of the Board begs leave Respectfully to Report, that at the late term of the Supreme Court Mr Najah Taylor was appointed one of the Commissioners on opening 24th Street and that Mr Taylor has declined serving as such Commissioner.

It becoming necessary that the Board should pass a Resolution authorizing application to be made for the appointment of a Commissioner in Mr Taylors place the following is submitted.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board make application to the Supreme Court for appointment of a Commissioner (on opening 24th Street from the 9th to the 10th Avenue) in the place of Najah Taylor who has refused to act.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council authenticate the necessary papers in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Respectfully submitted

R Emmet

Whereupon the Resolutions were adopted

[258] The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For paving Side walks in Houstoun Street between Mott and Elizabeth street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating and paving Goerck street from Delancy to Rivington street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating 5[th] Street between Avenue A & C and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner recommends the appointment of John Hanmer as Collector of the Assessment for widening and improving Jacob street which was agreed to and he was accordingly appointed.

The Street Commissioner presented the final Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments which were referred to the Finance Committee.

The City Inspector presented the [259] following Report of Ordinances for correcting sundry Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N[o] 1	[Abraham] Demarest	Owner	W side Sullivan S[t]	Stable
2.	W[m] Shaw	"	"	"
3.	W[m] G Post	"	47 Elizabeth	"
4.	Gerard Beekman	"	W side Green S[t]	Lot
5.	Estate of George Janeway	"	34 Cross S[t]	Lots
6.	David Cargill	"	W side Mulbery	"
7.	J L Deass	"	"	"
8.	John Hone	"	N[r] side 21[st] S[t]	"
9.	C Mildeberger	"	"	"
10.	Sarah Mills	"	"	"
11.	A M[c]Cullon	"	"	"
12.	D[r] G or P Vandoren	"	"	"
13.	Rich[d] Cadmus	"	W side Thompson S[t]	"
14.	G L Guion	"	"	"
15.	G W Berrian	"	"	"
16.	W[m] Taylor	"	"	"
17.	S Russell	"	"	"
18.	E Clevenger	"	"	"
19.	G W Berrian	"	E side of Sullivan S[t]	"
20.	Thomas M[c]Kie	"	W side Thompson	"
21.	Ja[s] I Roosevelt	"	E side Sullivan S[t]	"
22.	S Russel	"	"	"
23.	Thomas M[c]Kie	"	"	"
24.	[260] Tho[s] Blanch	"	"	"
25.	G L Guion	"	"	"
26.	Dan[l] Demarest	"	"	"

27.	Jas H Lyon	Owner	B 18th & 19th St near 5th Avenue		Lots
28.	John F Delaplaine	"	" 17 & 18th	"	"
29.	John Edwards	"	" 18 & 19th	"	"
30.	Jas H Lyon	"	" 19th & 20th	"	"
31.	Alexr J Hamilton	"	" 18 & 20th	"	"
32.	Nichs Shepple	"	" 19 & 20th	"	"
33.	"	"	" 20th & 21st	"	"
34.	T Burli[n]g or J Cowman	"	" 17 & 18th St	"	"
35.	J. J. Coddington	"	" 18 & 19th St	"	"
36	Peter Bertine	"	" "	"	"
37.	Henry Anderson	Exr	" "	"	"
38.	Campbell P White	Owner	E side Cannon St		"
39.	Henry Jackson	"	S " 19th St near 5 Avenue		"
40.	Isaac Amerman	"	" "	"	"
41.	Samuel J Moore	"	" "	"	"

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in yard and Cellar South East corner of Avenue D and 5th Street at the Public expence—Which was passed.

[261] The Committee on Public Offices & Repairs to whom was referred the communication from the Surrogate relative to removing his Office from the City Hall presented the following Report in favor of removing said Office.

The Committee on Public Offices and Repairs to whom it was referred (among other things) to make provision for the accommodation of the Surrogate in the building on Chambers street

Respectfully Report.

That the westerly room lately occupied by the Historical Society is now in a state of readiness, but the Surrogate deems it proper, before removing from the City Hall, that the Board should give their directions for that purpose as his authority for so doing—Your Committee therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Office of the Surrogate be removed from the City Hall to the apartment in the building on Chamber street lately occupied by the Historical Society.

James I Roosevelt Junr
David Bryson
Thos Jeremiah
Thomas T Woodruff
Wm Mandeville
James N Wells

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[262] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Bloodgood to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of William Bloodgood to be relieved from an erroneous Tax Respectfully Report

That in the month of April last Mr Bloodgood applied for relief from an erroneous personal Tax, which as he then represented was $10,000 which sum were placed by the Assessors by mistake for $1000, and the Common Council granted him the desired relief but since that period he has been served with a Notice by the Collector claiming a Tax on $6000 instead of the $1000, which was contemplated by the Committee.

The Error appears to have occurred in consequence of the Assessors having given an erroneous statement of his former Tax which was $15,000 instead of $10,000 and in consequence of which $6000, still remains charged to him.

As Mr Bloodgood appeared before the Assessors during the period prescribed by Law, and as the error is acknowledged by [263] them to have occurred from copying the Books, the Committee believe Mr Bloodgood to be entitled to relief, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the personal Tax of Mr Bloodgood in the 14th Ward be reduced from that on $6000, to that on $1000, and that the surplus be returned among the errors of Taxes for 1829

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
Thos Jeremiah

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John G Coster and others against the extension of the Sewer in centre street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Canal Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and the remonstrance against the extension of the Sewer in Centre [Street] Respectfully Report.

That they have ascertained by examination that the extension of the Sewer as Petitioned for would be attended with great expence in consequence of the necessity of [264] driving Piles, as the ground is not of sufficient firmness to support a competent foundation. The great majority of the owners of property subject to Assessment have

remonstrated against the extension & have suggested the propriety of crowni[n]g the Street in the centre raising the Curb stones, and carrying off the water by means of wide side gutters. The Committee believe the proposition of the remonstrants to be practicable, but as the subject belongs more strictly to the Street Committee and is not within the province of the Canal Committee they offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to extend the Sewer in Centre street.

Resolved that the subject of crowning Centre street in the centre and widening the Side gutters be referred to the Street Committee.

Henry Arcularius
Wm Mandeville
George D Strong
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolutions adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department [265] to whom was referred the return of the Chief Engineer of Fire Engine Co No 13 appointing David Willson a fireman of said Company, also a Remonstrance against said appointment presented the following Report against his appointment.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the return of the Chief Engineer for a member of Fire Engine Company No 13 vizt David Willson, also the remonstrance of several members of said Company against the same

Beg leave Respectfully to Report

That by an Act of the Legislature of this State passed 9th April 1813 it is declared "that it shall be lawful for the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened and they are hereby required from time to time to appoint a sufficient number of strong able discreet, honest & sober men, of the said City, willing to accept such appointment being freeholders, or freemen, of the said City, to have the care, management, working and using the Fire Engines & the other tools & instruments now provided or hereafter to be provided for extinguishing of fires within the said City, which persons so to be appointed shall be called the Firemen of the City of New York." That Mr Willson was before your Committee & stated that he was an Alien, having but recently arrived in this [266] Country, consequently in the opinion of your Committee ineligible to the Office of a Fireman, They offer the following.

Resolved that the Return of the Chief Engineer of David Willson as a Fireman be rejected.

Benjamin M Brown
John Rogers
James Palmer
William Scott
Samuel Stevens
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Return of the Chief Engineer relative to the expulsion of Jeremiah F Craig from Fire Engine C° N° 8 presented the following Report in favor of his expulsion.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Jeremiah F Craig to be reinstated as a Fireman in Engine Company N° 8 and also the Report of the Chief Engineer of members for the said Company, beg leave respectfully to Report

That the Petitioner and the Foreman of the said Company appeared before your Committee and from the statements then [267] made and admissions of M^r Craig [it does appear that M^r Craig] has neglected his duty, that the same was fully examined by the members of the said Company and M^r Craig nearly unanimously expelled, it therefore does appear to your Committee that it would be inexpedient to retain him in that Company, and they offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Return of the Chief Engineer be accepted.

Respectfully submitted
Benjamin M Brown
John Rogers
William Scott
P. W Engs
James Palmer
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of the Members of Fire Engine C° N° 33 for the removal of their Engine House presented the following Report

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Members of Fire Engine Company N° 33 for the removal of their Engine House, beg leave Respectfully [268] to Report

That the above Fire Engine is located on a piece of Ground on the

premises of Mr James P Allair in Cherry street, that it has been thus located, for several years past, free of ground rent to the Corporation, but in the opinion of your Committee the location is not as favorable a one as ought to be selected, and the Engine house is very small and inconvenient and is fallen into decay—That your Committee have endeavoured to procure a more favorable scite and after no little delay, Report that a Lot can be procured on the West side of Gouverneur Street 25 feet South of Henry street of the following dimensions 24 feet 7 Inches front and rear & 54 feet deep for the sum of One thousand dollars, this Lot in their opinion is a very desirable Location, and that part of the Lot that will not be wanted at this time for the above purpose can be rented at a price nearly to pay the interest of the purchase money.

They offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department be and is hereby empowered to purchase the above Lot at a sum not exceeding One thousand dollars, and when the Title shall [269] be reported perfect by the Counsel of the Board the Comptroller Report a Warrant for the same

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department have a suitable Engine House erected on the same.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
John Rogers
William Scott
P. W Engs
James Palmer
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was Referred the Petition of Albert W Smith to transfer Stall N° 14 Fulton Market to Joseph Smith presented the following Report in favor.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Albert W Smith to transfer Stall N° 14 Fulton Market to Joseph Smith

Beg leave respectfully to Report.

That the said Petition is accompanied with the necessary Certificate of qualifications & they therefore offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be [270] granted to Joseph Smith for Stall N° 14 Fulton Market.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
B J Meserole
Jon[a] Seymour
David Marsh

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Repairs presented the following Report soliciting an appropriation of $1500, to meet the payments for repairing the Cupola

The Committee on Repairs respectfully inform the Board that the Repairs of the Cupola of the City Hall are now completed and they now solicit an appropriation of Fifteen hundred dollars to meet the payment of the sundry Bills for said repairs, they therefore request that a Warrant may be issued during the recess of the Board in favor of the Street Commissioner for that purpose.

Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
W[m] Mandeville

Which was approved and adopted.

[271] The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom had been referred the Petition of Gilbert Mount and others for the extension of the Piers on the East and West sides of James Slip presented a Report which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Joint Committee on Public Offices and Repairs presented a Report which was read, but no question taken thereon. It was moved that the Report of the Joint Committees on Jail & Bridewell presented 17[th] May and laid on the Table be called up, which was agreed to. The remonstrance of William Chester and others, against erecting a Bridewell on the Collect grounds was called up and read—A motion was made to refer the Remonstrance and Report back to the same Committee, the Question being taken thereon it passed in the Negative the Members voting as follows

Affirmative Al[d] B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff M[r] Beadel Rogers Jeremiah [272] Dibblee Lovett Engs 11

Negative M[r] Recorder Al[d] Nevius Mott Stevens Strong Marsh Lee M[r] Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Bryson Arcularius Scott 13

It was then moved that the Resolution presented by Mr Engs and referred to the Committee be divided and a question taken on the following part "Resolved that the property Known as the Corporation yard is a suitable location for a Bridewell." The Question being taken thereon and a Division called the members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott I Brown Strong Lee Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson Arcularius Scott 11.

In the Negative Ald Stevens B M Brown Wells Meserole Marsh Palmer Woodruff Mr Mandeville Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Dibblee Lovett Engs 14

[273] So it passed in the Negative. Alderman Stevens then moved a Resolution which was amended and agreed to in the following words "Resolved that the said Committees be authorized to select a Location for a Bridewell and Report." The Recorder then presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that it be referred to the Jail and Bridewell & Police Committees to select a suitable Scite for a Bridewell and that the said Committee report such proposed Location to this Board.

Alderman Meserole presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that the sum of Two thousand Dollars be appropriated to pay the expences of the 4th of July Dinner & the expence connected with it.

Upon Motion of Alderman Lee the Resignation of Mr Pinckney presented on 21st June was called up & read (see Mr Pinckneys letter this Volume page 230). Alderman Lee then called up the Resolution he had presented at this Meeting and which was laid on the Table, which was read as follows.

Whereas Elijah T Pinckney hath resigned his Office of Assistant Justice for the Ninth and Eleventh wards to take effect on the first day of August next—Therefore Resolved that the said [274] Resignation be and the same is hereby accepted.

Resolved that Anthony Woodward be and he is hereby appointed Assistant Justice for the Ninth and Eleventh wards of this City from and immediately after the first day of August next in the place of E T Pinckney resigned.

Upon motion of Alderman Lee the Board then proceeded to Ballot for a person to fill the Office of Assistant Justice of 9th & 11th Wards, when Anthony Woodward had a Majority of votes and was declared duly elected.

Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor cause a Copy of the List of the names of the Grand Jurors for the last year to be made for the use of the Magistrates, whose duty it is by Law to prepare a list of Grand Jurors on the second Monday of July next for the ensuing year.

The Report of Finance Committee on the subject of commutation for Alien Passengers which was laid on the Table on the 31st May was called up and referred back to the Finance Committee.

[275] The Report of the Special Committee on Pauperism upon the subject of the purchase of Barn Island which was laid on the Table on the 31st May was called up and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee of Arrangements.

Resolved that to enforce obedience to the Laws regulating the due observance of the Sabbath no tent or Booth will be permitted to be erected on or previous to Sunday the 4th July and the First Marshal and High Constable are hereby especially enjoined to Report to the Attorney of the Board any violation of the Law in this respect.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account.

Balance as per Actt 14th Inst.	183.66
Recd for Streets	9.234.
" " Tavren Licences	5,000.
" " Rents	2.561.83
" " Tax of 1829	1.000.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	497.50
" " Mayoralty fees	70.
	$18.546.99

[276] 49 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid with the exception of the Account of J Colvill Coroner which was referred to the Board of Supervisors.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1s Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
R Riker Recorder Salary 1 Qr 1 July	375.
W. S. Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr 22d June & Expences	305.
O Ayres & J Coffin Asst City Inspectors 1 Mo 1 July	117.
Astin & Higbie Asst Keepers City Hall " "	75.
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield " "	67.50

Thos Asten	St Inspectr	1 Ward	1 Mo	1 July	.....	45.	
T Woolcocks	"	2d	"	"	.....	45.	
J. B Ebbets	"	3d	"	"	.....	45.	
N B Lyon	"	4th	"	"	.....	45.	
I. A Isaacs	"	5th	"	"	.....	45.	
F Gantz	"	7th	"	"	.....	45.	
Wm G Babb	"	8th	"	"	.....	45.	
H. B. Roome	"	9th	"	"	.....	45.	
T Austin	"	10th	"	"	.....	45.	
Abm Hatfield	"	11th	"	"	.....	45.	
E Kingsland		12th	"	"	.....	45.	
D Hubbard		13th	"	"	.....	45.	
P Field		14th	"	"	.....	45.	
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack & Postage Actts					.....	57.	
[277] J Pinckney & A Parker Asst Board of Health							
				1 Mo	1 July	104.	
J Coffin Asst City Inspect removg Nuisances				"	"	45.	
G Duryea	Clerk Fulton Market & Sweepers			"	"	87.86	
Jas Gilbert	Do	Clinton & Greenwich		"	"	68.	
J Bremner	Do	Catharine		"	"	60.	
J M Devoy	Do	3 Markets		"	"	57.60	
S Fleet	Do	Centre		"	"	48.	
R Smith	Do	Franklin		"	"	37.50	
J Seaman	Do	Manhattan		"	"	30.	
John Colvin Coroner 1 Qr 1 July					.....	626.14	
A Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 27 June					.....	139.28	
C L Sidell Clerk issuing Tavren Licences 43 days					.....	86.	
C. J. Roosevelt Do		Do		42 days	.....	84.	
Wm G Babb St Inspectr 8th Ward repairs to Culverts &c					...	4.06	
New York Gazette Subscription 6 Mo 7 June					.....	50.	
Clement C Moore Awd for earth 21st St b 5 Avenue & Hudson River					.....	1200.	
George B Smith Surveys &c 9 Mo 1 July					.....	66.	
D Harron 1st payt Well Grove near Bleecker St					.....	29.25	
J Gallagher Junr bal Well Amity between Mercer & Green St					.....	24.48	
J McBarron for Well Hubert near Greenwich St					.....	20.30	
J McBarron	do	North near Willett			.....	19.50	
R Graves St Comr Actt Repairs Roads					.....	500.	
Jonas Platt in full for services as Counsel in case of Leaks Will						750.	
David B Ogden		do		Do		500.	
John Oothout Treasr Bank for Savings Interest on $300,000 1 Qur 1 July					.....	3750.	
[278] Anthony Mo[r]ris St Inspectr 6 Ward 1 Mo 1 July					...	45.	
Arthur Burtis Super Alms House					.....	5000.	18.338.37
						Balance	$208.62

Board Adjourned to 12 July next at 5 OClock.

[279] In Common Council July 12th 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President.

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	Jonathan Seymour
William W Mott	William Mandeville
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Joseph W Beadle
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	John Lovett
David Marsh	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The unfinished business of last Meeting.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Leonard Kip for premission to draw Water from a Public Pump opposite his House by [280] means of a Pipe under ground, presented the following Report against the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Leonard Kip for permission to draw water from a public Pump situate at the corner of Wooster and Bleecker streets by means of a Pipe leading under ground to his premises on the opposite side of the Street Respectfully Report

That it would be improper to grant the request of the Petitioner and accordingly submit the following resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioner.

James N Wells
John Rogers
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of George W Murray to have the Well and Pump built by him in 12th Street near Broadway, accepted and paid for by the Corporation presented the following Report against the same.

[281] The Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of George W Murray to have a Well & Pump dug and erected by him on 12th Street near Broadway accepted and paid for by the Corporation presented the following Report against the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of George W Murray to have a Well & Pump dug and erected by him in 12th Street accepted and paid for by this Corporation as a Public Well Respectfully Report

That in their opinion it is inexpedient to comply with the request of the Petitioner inasmuch as the Well is improperly located and cannot be accepted for public purposes, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to accept of the Well and Pump of George W Murray in 12th Street as and for a Public Well

James N Wells
John Rogers
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

A Petition of Patrick Byrne to [282] have the Side walks in William street near Cedar street regulated and the Curb laid, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Alderman B M Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Market Committee to enquire into and Report on the expediency of removing the Hay Market to the Public ground in the rear of Tompkins Market.

Alderman Palmer presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the City Inspector.

Resolved that the Lots corner of Lewis and Grand streets be fenced in.

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was read and agreed to.

Resolved that Francis Gallagher Administrator &c of Benjamin Gallagher deceased have permission to assign and transfer to Joshua Thurston a Lease granted by this Board to the said Benjamin Gallagher dated March 1827 for a Lot of ground designated as N° 130 on [283] a Map of that and other Lots fronting on William street Provided that all Ground rent due on said Lease be first paid.

The Committee on Public Offices and Repairs to whom were

referred the Communication from the Register of Deeds, the Resolution of Mr Roosevelt, and the Report of a former Committee on subject of Fire proof building for Records &c presented the following Report

The Joint Committee on Public Offices and Repairs, to whom were referred the Communication from the Register of Deeds and the Resolution of Mr Roosevelt in relation to Fire proof Offices, and also the *Report of a former Committee on the same subject Respectfully Report.

That the City Hall, in which the Public Records are now deposited, is not secure against Fire. The immense amount of property, of which these records are the evidences, and the confusion and ruin which must ensue from their destruction, admonish us of the necessity of making every possible provision to guard them against accidents. Your Committee impressed with this conviction, have carefully examined the two places submitted to them, one of which proposes the fitting up of a portion of the building on Chamber street, and the other altering the old Gaol.

[284] With respect to the first of these plans it will undoubtedly be the least expensive and least inconvenient inasmuch as it will not involve any removal of the Debtor Prisoners. But altho the apartments, to which it refers, may be made comparitively fire proof, yet, in the opinion of experienced builders, they cannot be rendered completely so. The Gaol, on the other hand, is a massive Stone edifice, and stands entirely insulated from every other structure. But the question has been asked, what is to be done in the meanwhile with the Debtor prisoners. The number of debtors in actual confinement, is at present Thirty five. No serious difficulty therefore exists in disposing of them. So small a number of persons might for the present a[t] least be accommodated in the East wing of the Building on Chamber street and the expence of the alterations necessary for that purpose, it is estimated, would not exceed Five hundred dollars. In order, however, to test the sense of the Common Council, on the main question, the Committee submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs to cause the building at present occupied as a Gaol to be fitted up in a Fire proof manner [285] for the reception of the Public Records as soon as the imprisoned debtors shall be removed, and the

* Marginal note reads *For Report of former Committee on subject of Fire proof buildings for Records &c alluded to in this Report see page 366 this Book.*—ED.

sum of Fifteen thousand dollars is hereby appropriated to carry this Resolution into effect.

James I Roosevelt Jr
David Bryson
Thos Jeremiah
Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
William Mandeville.

A Motion was made to refer the Report, which was lost. The question was then taken on the Resolution reported by the Committee and the Ayes and Noes having been called by Alderman Stevens the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Ald B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff Mr Bryson Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Lovett Engs 11.

In the Negative Ald Nevius Mott Stevens Marsh Mr Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Dibblee 8

[286] So it was carried in the Affirmative. Alderman Stevens gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting. Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committees on Public Offices & Jail & Bridewell.

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs be authorized to fit up part of the Old Alms House in such manner as to securely accommodate the Prisoners in our Jail.

A Petition of Thomas Varian to have a Suit in relation to a Butchers Stall in Clinton Market submitted to Arbitrators was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of M Nash to be employed without compensation in assisting to fit up the Observatory in the Cupola of the City Hall was read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences with Authority.

A Petition of John Jacob Astor for the amount due him for surplus earth removed from 13th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of Merchants [287] and Dealers against an alteration of the Law regulating the appointment of City Guagers was read and referred to the Special Committee on Petition of the City Guagers.

A Petition of Thomas Morley of Whitfield Case of Mrs Worden and of Wm P Quinn for the restoration of their Hogs which were taken up in the Public Streets, agreeably to an Ordinance of the Corporation prohibiting their running at large were read and severally referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House with powers.

A Petition of Nicholas W Messerve for a Butchers Licence for Stall N° 16 Fulton Market formerly occupied by him was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of George Sutton & others to have Morton street paved from Washington to West street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Hull & others to have the Side walks in West street laid from Harrison to Hubert street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[288] A Memorial of the owners and Occupants of property on the 8th Avenue praying that the stagnant Water between 21st & 23d Streets may be immediately removed was read and referred to the Road Committee with powers.

A Petition of Charles Clinton for permission to exhibit Specimens of his Cement on some of the Public buildings in the vicinity of the City Hall was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs with power.

A Petition of John Gore to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of the Inhabitants in the vicinity of Burnt Mill Point for the removal of a nuisance occasioned by Butchers Offals being thrown off the Bulkhead at the foot of Thirteenth street East River was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and the City Inspector.

A Communication was received [289] from the Chief Engineer stating that he was under the necessity of reporting the Conduct of Members of Fire Engine Company N° 21—for neglect of duty in not attending at Fires with their Engine, which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and appointments made vizt

Fire Engine C°

N° 6

Charles Cushing Tailor 48 Spruce St Vc Joseph Moon Expelled

N° 11

Edwin W Wainwright—Brush Maker 68 Elm St To fill Company

N° 17

John McDougal Baker 111 Cherry St Vc Samuel Sole Resigned

N° 22

Peter R Welch—Turner 52 Allen S[t] To fill Company

N° 26

Joseph Parker—Expelled for neglect of duty

N° 27

Mathew Bowden & Alexander Chisholm & Francis Arden & Ja[s] Scott Resigned.

[290] Elias Brower, Daniel Wheeler, Abraham Bogert } Returned

Fire Wardens C°

13[th] Ward

William C Brooks Cartman 120 Clinton S[t]

V[c] Stephen Barker Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N°					
	1. W[m] Taylor	owner	E side Crosby S[t]		A Lot
	2. Josiah Dodge	"	N side Eleventh S[t]	Stable	"
	3. And[w] or Ja[s] Smith	"	S " 12[th] S[t]	"	"
	4. Andrew Carrigan	"	S E cor Avenue D & 4[th] S[t]		"
	5. Peter A Jay	"	S side Walker S[t]		"
	6. John *J* [S] Schermerhorn & Wife	"	E side 7[th] Avenue		"
	7. John Tonnele	"	W side 6[th] Avenue		"
	8. Thomas Powers	"	N side 19[th] S[t]		"
	9. J Wells	"	E side 7[th] Avenue		"
	10. W[m] Bethel	"	" Willett S[t]		"
	11. W[m] Ogilvie	"	" Sheriff S[t]		"
	12. Rob[t] Tillotson	"	S E cor Rivington & Essex S[t]		"
	13. Maria C Gouverneur	"	S W cor " & Norfolk S[t]		"
	14. [291] Maria C Gouverneur	"	W side of Norfolk S[t]		"
	15. Estate of Nich[s] Low	"	S side of Madison S[t]		"
	16. W[m] G Post	"	E side of Scammel S[t]		"
	17. [James] Ivers	"	N E cor Scammel & Lombardy S[t]		"
	18. F Marchant	"	200 & 202 Elm Street		"

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For laying Side walks of Mulberry street between Prince and Houston streets and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For laying Side walks in Mott street between Prince & Bleecker streets and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating the 9[th] Avenue from 16[th] to 18[th] Street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented Returns of Delinquents on the Assessment for building a Public Cistern corner of Delancy and Chrystie streets and also in Grand street near the Essex Market [292] Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Committee on Repairs to whom was referred the subject of Cast Iron Pumps presented the following Report in favor of purchasing One Cast Iron Pump.

The Committee to whom was referred the Resolution offered by Alderman Engs relative to Cast Iron Pumps Report

That they have made the necessary inquiries, and are of opinion that if introduced they will be found advantageous, in order to try the experiment they beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs be authorized to purchase a Cast Iron Pump and have the same put in operation.

Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
W[m] Mandeville

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Samuel Cornell & of John Brower for Transfer of Butchers Stalls presented the following Report in favor.

[293] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel Cornell to transfer Stall N° 1 Grand street Market to William Lawrence also the Petition of John Brower to transfer Stall N° 10 Greenwich Market to David Brown Respectfully Report

That the said Petitions are accompanied with the necessary Certificate of qualifications & they accordingly offer the following Viz[t]

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted to William Lawrence

for Stall N° 1 Grand street Market, and to David Brown for Stall N° 10 Greenwich Market.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
B. J. Meserole
David Marsh
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petitions of Members of Fire Engine N° 22 Also of N° 3 for a New Engine presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Members of Fire Company N° 22 for a new Engine also of [294] Fire Company N° 3 for a New Engine

Respectfully Report.

That the aforesaid Engines have been examined and are in the opinion of your Committee unfit for service, and if repaired would require very extensive and expensive repairs, they would therefore recommend their being replaced with new ones and accordingly offer the following for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs under the direction of the Committee on the Fire Department furnish Fire Engine Companies N° 22 & N° 3 with each a New Engine of the size heretofore adopted by this Board.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
John Rogers
P W Engs
James Palmer

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred back their Report on the Petition of Merchants for a reduction of the rate of Commutation of Alien Passengers presented the following Report in favor of the same. The former Report [295] was as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of a number of Merchants praying for a reduction of the rate of Commutation money charged for Alien Passengers.

Respectfully Report

That deeming this subject to be one of great importance to the city, the Committee have given it a careful examination and have

heard statements in relation to it, from the proper Officer of the Alms House Department, as well as from a Committee of the Applicants.

The practice in regard to Alien Passengers who arrive in this port, is either to take Bonds from the Masters of the Vessels, with surety, in the mode directed by the Act of the Legislature, or to commute for their future liability by accepting a certain amount in money, which amount has been fixed at $2.50 for each passenger by a Resolution of this Board, and it is discretionary with the Mayor to require such Bonds or accept such commutation as he may think most expedient. In almost every instance where Bonds are taken, the owner or consignee of the Vessel becomes the surety and such sureties are in fact the responsible and interested parties. The system of Bonding is strongly objected to by Merchants because as they allege (and the [296] Committee believe correctly) it exposes them to impositions against which they have no adequate means of guarding. It is not uncommon for paupers to say, that they arrived here in a particular Vessel, and to assume the name of some person who actually did arrive in such Vessel; And it is extremely difficult to detect such a fraud, by which the Merchant becomes saddled with the Alms House bill for the support of such pauper at the rate of Three dollars per week. And independant of such objection, Merchants dislike giving those bonds, as they delay the final settlements of the Accounts of particular Voyages, or expose them to be called upon for payments after such accounts have been closed, which should have been included in them.

For those reasons they prefer the System of commuting, but complain that the rate now charged for each passenger is much too high, particularly in the present depressed state of the shipping interest, and that they are driven to give Bonds, against their will as the lesser of two evils.

The object of the Committee has been to determine how the City revenue may be affected by a reduction in the rate of Commutation. If such reduction will have the effect [297] of inducing Merchants generally to prefer Commuting in every instance where commutation would be received, the Committee are of opinion that the change will be advantageous in a pecuniary point of view to the City. It is certain that a very inconsiderable amount is collected upon the bonds taken in these cases. There is no guarding against the possible insolvency of the obligors or other contingencies which render this a precarious source of revenue, while on the other hand, the general payment of

even a diminished rate of commutation money would in their opinion ensure the actual receipt of a larger annual fund, than what is now derived in both ways. From the Statements and representations made to them, the Committee are strongly inclined to believe, that the effect of a reasonable reduction will be a general commutation in all cases where it may be allowed, and that if no great gain, should result to the City Treasury by the change, its receipts will not be diminished thereby from what they have hitherto been—The Memorial asks for a reduction to fifty cents for each passenger, but your Committee have reason to believe that One dollar would be considered by the Merchants generally who are interested in this subject, as a fair rate; and they recommend therefore that, that [298] rate be adopted for future commutations it being understood however that Bonds may still be required as usual in all cases where it may be deemed expedient to commute.

The Committee conclude by offering the following Resolution for the adoption of the Board.

Resolved that the Mayor be authorized to commute hereafter for Alien passengers at the rate of One dollar for each passenger, in all cases where he shall not deem it expedient to take Bonds of indemnity as provided by Law

W Seaman
Wm W Mott
Peter J Nevius
G Lee.

The Report made at this Meeting was as follows.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred back the Petition of several Merchants for a reduction in the rate of Commutation money for Alien Passengers, together with their former Report upon the said Petition.

Respectfully Report

That they have had the subject of the said Petition and Report again under consideration and have received additional reasons for [299] believing that if the rate of Commutation should be reduced to One Dollar for each passenger as recommended by them in their former Report, the Merchants engaged in the business of bringing passengers to this City, will prefer paying such commutation in all cases to giving Bonds, and that the result will be a larger amount of money received annually from this source than there has hitherto been. The Committee therefore under a full belief that the City will

be benefitted by the adoption of such a measure beg leave to recommend the passage of the Resolution offered by them with their said former Report which is hereunto annexed.

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved, and the Resolution offered in the former Report was adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Jonathan Lyon, Owen McCabe, John Devlin & Michael Tally to have the amount remaining due on Contracts for paving paid them presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petitions from Jonathan Lyon Owen McCabe, and from John Devlin and [300] Michael Tally respectively Report

That the Petitioners respectively apply to have the amounts remaining due to them on contracts for paving paid to them, alleging that they are much in want of their money. The Committee on conferring with the Street Commissioner (whose statement of the amounts still due to them respectively is hereto annexed) are of opinion that it would be right and just to comply with the applications of the said Petitioners and they offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that there be paid to Jonathan Lyon the sum of $157.66 being the balance due him on his contract for paving Greenwich street from Bank street to Kill Road. Also to Owen McCabe the *the* sum of 476.81 being the amount of balances due him on his contracts for regulating and paving Jane street from Greenwich Lane to Assylum street, and for paving the 1st Avenue from North to 6th Streets. Also to John Devlin and Michael Tally the sum of $577.27 being the amount due on their contract for regulating and paving Barrow street from the 6th Avenue to the intersection of the Street formerly called Raisin street

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
[301] B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Congregation of Sheareth Israel and also of J Smith & A Gifford relative to a piece of ground on Eleventh street presented the following Report.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of the Congregation of Sheareth Israel, relative to a certain piece of ground fronting on Eleventh street, Also the Petition of James Smith and Andrew Gifford praying for the privilege of purchasing the same.

Report.

That the said piece of ground was formerly a part of the burying ground of the said Congregation and was awarded to the Corporation at the sum or price of $759.52 by the late proceedings for opening Eleventh street and that the same adjoins and partly fronts the lands of the Petitioners Smith and Gifford.

The Committee have had the respective applicants before them, and it appears that Messrs Smith & Gifford presented their Petition under the impression that the price of the said piece of ground was only $500, on discovering which error, they have expressly declined, any further application [302] for the purchase thereof at the price assessed therefor upon the Corporation. On the other hand the said Congregation to whom a larger amount, was awarded by the said proceedings for damages sustained by taking away another part of their ground for the Street, are willing to take *to* [the] Gore or piece in question at the full amount put upon the same, And allow such amount to be deducted and retained out of the damages so awarded to them.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that their proposition should be acceded to; and they submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board prepare a Deed to the Trustees of the said Congregation for the said piece of ground at the said price of $759.52 (to be paid in the manner above mentioned) together with the expences of the Deed and that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of E Hunt and [303] R B Dore & others for a suspension of the Collection of the Assessments on their property presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petitions of Elvin Hunt and of Robert B Dore and others praying that

the Corporation may suspend the Collection of certain Assessments upon their property

Report.

That the said Assessments are included in the Final return of uncollected Assessments presented to the Board at their last Meeting by the Street Commissioner and which has been referred to this Committee.

The property Assessed has not therefore as yet been advertised for three Months before any sale can be made. As the Board are now also vested by Law with the power of postponing such sales when they may deem it expedient, the Committee think that the proper mode of affording indulgence in such cases would be by exercising that power before the day of sale if the circumstances should then warrant it; And that it would be premature to make any order for the relief of any of the persons so assessed at present. They offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient at this time to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

[304] William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of New York & Boston Steam Boat Company, and also of the Proprietors of the Steam Boat Chancellor Livingston for the grant of the Slip at the foot of Courtlandt & Liberty streets presented a Report and also an Ordinance in favor of the same which was read and referred back to the Committee.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Final Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments presented the following Report in favor of Advertising the same according to Law.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Final returns of delinquents on sundry Assessments presented by the Street Commissioner to the Board on the 28th of June last

Report.

That in their opinion the Assessed property mentioned in the said Returns should be advertized according to Law without delay.

They submit therefore the following [305] Resolution

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause the necessary steps to be taken to Advertize the said property for sale in the usual manner.

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of G W Skellorn late Keeper of the Bridewell for remuneration of expences paid for advertizing and re-capturing certain Prisoners who escaped from Bridewell while he was Keeper thereof presented the following Report

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition and account of George W Skellorn late Keeper of the Bridewell

Report.

That the said Petition is for an allowance of expences incurred by him in advertizing and recapturing certain prisoners who escaped from Bridewell while he was Keeper thereof. The Committee are satisfied that the said escape occurred without fault on the part of Mr Skellorn and that he took prompt measures to re-capture the said prisoners, which resulted in re-taking Eight of the Ten [306] who so escaped. They are of opinion therefore that he should be re-imbursed the expences paid by him for this purpose. Mr Skellorn has however informed the Committee that the sum of $20 charged in the said Account for the services of John Conrey, were not actually paid to him, and as Mr Conrey was then under a Salary as a deputy Keeper of the Bridewell, they see no reason why that item should be allowed. They recommend therefore that the same be deducted and submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favor of George W Skellorn for One hundred and nine dollars and thirteen cents being the residue of his said Account.

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B. M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the owners & Masters of Providence Packets for the exclusive use of the Slip at the foot of Maiden lane, Also a Remonstrance against the same presented the following Report against the same.

The Finance Committee to whom [307] was referred the Petition of the owners & masters of Providence Packets to have the exclusive use of the head of Fly Market Slip, also a Remonstrance against the same

Report

That having duly considered the subject of the said Petition, and Remonstrance they are of opinion that the application of the Petitioners ought not to be complied with.

They submit therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition.

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ezra C Terry for leave to assign his interest in the Lease of Lot N° 108 at the corner of William & Duane street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Ezra C Terry for leave to Assign his interest in the Lease of a Lot known as Number 108 and situated on the corner of William and Duane streets granted by the Corporation to the Petitioner and [308] Palmer Clark. Report.

That part of the said Lot has been already Assigned by the Lessees to M^rs^ Flandreau and the Petitioner now wishes to transfer his undivided interest in the remainder to his co-tenant Palmer Clark —The Committee see no objection to giving the Assent of the Corporation to such transfer—And they offer therefore the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the said Petition be granted

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Road and Street Committees to whom was referred the subject of opening 4^th^ Avenue between Broadway and 28^th^ Street presented the following Report.

The Road and Street Committees to whom was referred the Communication of the Counsel to the Board on the subject of opening

the Fourth Avenue between Broadway and 28th Street that the Supreme Court at their late Sittings had rejected the Report of the Commissioners in the said matter, and that it now remained [309] with this Common Council to determine whether or not it is expedient to abandon the said opening for the present, On all which your Joint Committees respectfully Report that they have given the subject their deliberate consideration, and although public convenience would be somewhat promoted by having that Avenue opened, but inasmuch as the expence of such opening falls oppressively heavy at the present on a few individuals much beyond any benefits that will be derived therefrom Your Committee therefore deem it inexpedient to make further application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the above case, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient for this Common Council to make application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the matter of opening the Fourth Avenue from Broadway to twenty eighth Street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
Bernard J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was [310] referred the Petition of sundry persons to have a nuisance corrected at the junction of Bank & Washington streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have a nuisance corrected at the Junction of Bank & Washington street Respectfully Report—the nuisance complained of is a deposit of water at that place occasioned by the unregulated state of the grounds between Washington and West street, and in order to remedy the evil your Committee recommend that Bank street be filled up and regulated from the present pavement of that Street to West street and accordingly submit the following Resolution. Resolved that Bank street be filled and regulated from the Easterly side of Washington street to West Street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and Remonstrance against the widening of Dover street from Water to South street presented the following [311] Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition for and remonstrance against the widening of Dover street from Water to South street Respectfully Report.

That they have viewed the premises and are of the Opinion that the widening of that Street is much required as from its extensive narrowness (being only 20 feet) it is with difficulty that Carts can pass and from its central location leading to some of the principal business wharves on the East river it is very desirable that access to them should be direct and convenient—Your Committee accordingly would recommend the following Resolutions.

Resolved that it is desirable for public convenience that Dover street be widened and improved from Water street to South street.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the said matter and that the Petition for that purpose be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
[312] John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have the Bloomingdale Road regulated between 11th and 21st Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition to have the Bloomingdale Road regulated between 14th & 21st Streets

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the regulation of that road or way has become hig[h]ly necessary and proper at this time inasmuch as the surplus Earth can be removed without expence to this Board, and will save to the Public the expence of working it as a highway—Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Bloomingdale Road be dug out and regulated between thirteenth Street and Twenty first Street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[313] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have South street re-paved between Old & Coenties Slip presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have South street re-paved between the Old and Coenties Slips respectfully Report that they have viewed that Street and are of the opinion that it requires to be repaved, and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that South Street be re-paved from the Old Slip to Coenties Slip

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Pine street widen[ed]*ing* at the corner of William street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Pine street widened at the corner of William street by taking a portion of the corner Lot (now vacant) and of the adjoining [314] Store which projects on Pine street, Respectfully

Report.

That your Committee have viewed the premises and are of the opinion that the widening of that Street as asked for by the Petitioners would add much to their convenience as it is at present very narrow, and the expence at this time small, as the corner Lot is now vacant, and the adjoining building would receive but little injury, they accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Pine Street be widened and improved by taking a small part of the vacant Lot corner of William street and of the adjoining building and Lot agreeably to a Map or plan herewith pre-

sented and that it is desirable that the same should be ordered and directed to be done.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the said matter and that the Petition for that purpose be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
*[314] William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 6th Street paved from the 2d to the 3d Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Sixth street paved from the 2d to the 3d Avenue

Respecfully Report

That in their opinion, that part of Sixth street ought to be paved, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Sixth street be paved from the Second Avenue to the Third Avenue

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Eli Corey & others to have Side walks of Thompson street paved from Prince to Houston street presented the following Report [316] in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Eli Corey and others to have the side walks of Thompson street paved from Prince street to Houstoun street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

* Clerk's error in numbering.—ED.

Resolved that the Side walks of Thompson street be paved from Prince to Houstoun street

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening and relaying the side walks of Duane street between Augustus and Cross streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of widening and relaying the side walks of Duane street between Augustus street and Cross street Respectfully Report [317] That in their Opinion the widening and repaving those walks ought to be done, and accordingly submit the following Resolution

Resolved that the side Walks of Duane street be widened and relaid from Augustus street to Cross street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Clarkson street paved from Washington to West street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the petition to have Clarkson street paved from Washington street to West street respectfully Report that in their opinion the paving that Street is much required, Accordingly they submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Clarkson Street be paved from Washington Street to West street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
[318] John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of W^m J Pinckney and others to have side walks of Elizabeth Street widened presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Wm J Pinckney and others to have the Side walks of Elizabeth street widened and repaired between Walker and Grand streets respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Elizabeth street be widened and repaired from Walker street to Grand Street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[319] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 21st Street paved from 8th to 9th Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition to have 21st Street Paved from the 8th to the 9th Avenue respectfully

Report.

That in their opinion that part of 21st Street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following resolution.

Resolved that Twenty first street be paved between the Eighth and the Ninth Avenues.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Seventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition to have a Well & Pump in Cherry between Pike and Rutgers street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Seventh Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have [320] a Well & Pump placed in Cherry street between Pike and Rutgers street Respectfully

Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much required at that place and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Cherry street between Pike and Rutgers street

W Seaman
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have 20th Street paved from 6th to 9th Avenue presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed petition to have 20th Street paved from the Sixth to the Ninth Avenue.

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street requires to be paved inasmuch as that from the large quantity of Water flowing through it and small descent the Cellars are inundated and which cannot be prevented but by paving the same—They accordingly recommend the [321] adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Twentieth street be regulated and paved from the Sixth Avenue to the Ninth Avenue.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto

For a Well & Pump in Cherry street between Pike and Rutgers street and John Leonard Alpheus Sherman and Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors.

For regulating the Bloomingdale Road from 13th to 21st Street and Abraham Bloodgood Cornelius J Roosevelt and Pine Hopkins were appointed Assessors.

For widening Side walks of Duane street from Augustus to Cross street and John Leonard, Alpheus Sherman, and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessors.

[322] For repaving South street from Old to Coenties Slip and Abraham Dally, Samuel Purdy and Peter Ogilvie Junr were appointed Assessors.

For paving 21st Street from 8th to 9th Avenue And John Harris, Jedediah B Leister and John Slidell were appointed Assessors.

For widening Side walks of Elizabeth street and John Targee, Abraham Quick & Reuben Munson were appointed Assessors.

For paving Clarkson street from Washington to West street and James Fairlie Peter Stagg & Abraham Le Foy were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Thompson street from Prince to Houston street and Shivers Parker, Thomas R Smith and Samuel Gilford Junr were appointed assessors.

For paving 20th Street from 6th to 9th Avenue and John Lozier, Abraham Baudoine and Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

[323] For paving 6th Street from 2d to 3d Avenue and Gideon Tucker, Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors

For regulating Bank street from Washington street to West street and David Lyon, William Lockwood and Charles Dusenbury were appointed Assessors.

The Counsel presented the following Report relative to a suit against the Corporation for damage done to a Vessel by a log projecting under water.

The Counsel to the Board Respectfully Reports, that in the suit lately commenced against the Corporation by Stephen Miller to recover damages for injury done to his Sloop by a Log projecting under water from the Pier at the foot of Warren street, and which was referred to Jonathan J Coddington Isaac Frost & James W Gerard, the plaintiff has recovered for his damages and Costs the sum of $1307.50 and that payment thereof has been demanded.

R Emmet

Whereupon Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant in favor of Robert Emmet for the sum of $1307.50 to pay the amount recovered in [324] the suit brought by Stephen Miller against the Corporation.

The Counsel presented the following Report of a Lease to John Hance for a Lot of Land Sold for Assessments

The Counsel to the Board respectfully submits herewith a Lease drawn from the Corporation to John Hance for certain Lots of land purchased by him for a term of years at a sale for Assessments on the 24th June 1828 and for which he received a Certificate. The said

Lots were not redeemed within the time allowed by Law. He submits also the following Resolution.

"Resolved that the above mentioned Lease to John Hance be authenticated in the usual manner and delivered to him

R Emmet

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Resolution attached thereto Adopted

The Counsel presented the following which was directed to be filed

The Counsel to the Board respectfully Reports that he has investigated the Title of John G Tebbetts to a Lot of ground on Gouverneur Street (Market 12 A) in conformity with a Report [325] made by the Committee on the Fire Department at the last Meeting of the Board and that the said Title is satisfactory to him.

R Emmet

The Counsel presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board take the necessary measures to obtain from the Commissioners of the Land Office a grant to the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York of so much of the land under water of the East River or Sound as lies opposies to the two Lots of ground belonging to the said Mayor Alderman and Commonalty at Williamsburgh in Kings County, at and from low water mark, and running Four hundred feet out into the said River.

Alderman Nevius presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that William street be regulated and repaved from Maiden Lane to Pine street.

Upon Motion of Alderman Stevens [326] it was Resolved that the Counsel of the Board be instructed to enquire and Report how far the Inspector of Wharves, or the Contractor for building the Wharf was liable to the Corporation in consequence of the injury sustained by the Vessel of Stephen Miller, for which said Miller has recovered from the Corporation damages to the amount of $1307^{5}/_{100}$.

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution which was read and Adopted.

Resolved that the Counsel to the Board be directed to commence such legal proceedings as may be necessary to obtain possession of the premises known as Fort Gansevoort in the Ninth ward of this City.

Alderman Isaac Brown presented the following Resolutions which were read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to enquire into the propriety of repaving William street between Pearl and Duane streets

Resolved that the Street Committee enquire into the propriety of re-paving Duane [327] Street between William and Chatham streets.

Mr Engs presented an Ordinance relative to Swine running at large which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that Mathew Vogle be and he is hereby appointed Ward Inspector of the 11th Ward in the place of Abram Hatfield

A motion was made to lay the same on the Table which was lost—A motion was made to proceed to Ballot which was suspended by a Motion to refer it to a Special Committee which was carried and the Mayor appointed on that Committee Mr Jeremiah Ald Palmer Mr Scott Ald I Brown Meserole

Alderman Meserole presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs to Report.

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs be directed to put the fence around [328] the Jail and Bridewell in repair the same being a Nuisance.

Mr Mandeville presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the propriety of re-paving Vesey street from Washington to West street be referred to the Street Committee.

Mr Dibblee presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that the Side walks of the first Avenue be paved from North street to second Street.

Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that John B Schmelzel be and he is hereby appointed an Inspector of Election for the Fifth ward in place of Gideon Tucker who has declined his appointment.

Mr Arcularius nominated John Van Beuren as Inspector—The Board proceeded to Ballot for a person for that Office, when John B Schmelzel had a Majority of votes [329] and was declared duly appointed.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against Removing Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Evans to release in fee to the Corporation certain Lots in payment of the Assessment assessed upon said Lots for filling 5th Street between Avenue A & C was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Upon Motion of Alderman Isaac Brown the Report of the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on the Petition of G. S. Mount and others for the extension of Piers on the East and West sides of James Slip was called up and read as follows.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition to have the Piers on the sides of James Slip extended

Respectfully Report

That in consequence of the filling of James Slip to South street it has become necessary to afford some other and more suitable accommodations for the Vessels frequenting that Slip and therefore recommend that the Piers on [330] each side be extended with a Block and Bridge to each, the cost of which to this Board would probably not exceed Four thousand dollars. Your Committee accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Piers on the Easterly side and Westerly side of James Slip be extended into the River by adding a Block and Bridge to each.

John Lovett
Isaac Brown
Joseph W Beadel
Peter J Nevius

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Comptroller reported the following Cash Account

Balance as per Actt 28 June	208.62
Recd for Streets	8553.
" Tax of 1829	6809.94
" Rents	3464.62
" Tavren Licences	3434.
" Street Manure for June	1605.30
" Justices Courts	918.19
" Commutation Alien Passengers	430.
" Wells & Pumps	200.
" Superior Court fees	180.50
" [331] Arrears of Tax	117.19
" Mayoralty fees	88.
	$26.009.36

61 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

R Graves St Comr for repairs Cupola City Hall Warrant issued 1 July	1500.
Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
W Bowne Mayor Salary 1 Qr 2d July	750.
R Graves St Comr " 1 Qr 1 July	500.
George B Smith Asst St Comr 1 Qr 15 July	500.
Jacob Hays High constable 1 Qr 1 July	125.
Ald Nevius attending Courts 6 Mo to 1 July 16 days	64.
Mott do " 16 days	64.
Stevens Do " 3 days	12.
I Brown Do " 3 days	12.
Strong Do " 16 days	64.
Seaman Do " 16	64.
B M Brown Do " 32	128.
Wells Do " 17	68.
Meserole Do " 34	136.
Marsh Do " 16	64.
Palmer Do " 14	56.
Woodruff Do " 12	48.
Francis Peckwell Dinner 5 July	1000.
L Baum Clerk Washington Market 1 Mo 1 July	80.67
[332] John Martine Clerk Tompkins Market 2 Mo 1 July	61.
J O Woodruff Keeper Penitentiary & 2 Assts 1 Qur 1 July	500.
D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo do	32.50
A Leggett Superdt Mud Scow 2 weeks to 11 July	146.13
Evening Post Subscription 6 Months 1 June	50.
Samuel Judd 23 Casks Oil	1557.33
G Snethen lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 July	1451.80
G Snethen Super Lamps 1 Qr Salary 1 July	187.50
R Provoost painting & Glazing Lamps &c 1 Mo "	71.62
Isaac T Ludlum Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 July	313.93
J. F Bridges 6 Mo do "	197.17
Daniel Ewen Do 1 Qr "	129.53
M Talley Actt pavg Troy St fm G[reenwich] Lane to Asylum St	100.
P McBarron repairs Intersections & Accepted Streets 6th Ward	243.18
P McBarron flagging Side walk Centre St front C block	199.44
R Pettigrew flagging & repaving around Tompkins Market	1885.54
R Graves St Comr bal improving Hell Gate Ferry	750.
Jas Blackwell Interest on Bond 1 Qur 15 July	212.50
John G Tebbetts for Lot of Ground for Engine No 33	1000.
J Gamble Junr preparing Ammunition for Troops 5 July	49.81
Gould Banks & Co 40 Laws of the State 1830	84.90
J M Bloodgood Superdt Streets Expences 1 Mo 1 July	2450.37

Judge Irving	Attending Court Com Pleas	6 Mo	1 July	65 days	130.	
Ald Nevius	do	"	3	"	6.	
Mott	Do	"	2	"	4.	
Stevens	Do	"	1	"	1.	
[333] I Brown	Do	"	1	"	2.	
Strong	Do	"	3	"	6.	
Seaman	Do	"	3	"	6.	
B M Brown	Do	"	3	"	6.	
Wells	Do	"	2	"	4.	
Meserole	Do	"	3	"	6.	
Marsh	Do	"	1	"	2.	
Lee	Do	"	1	"	2.	
Palmer	Do	"	3	"	6.	
Woodruff	Do	"	3	"	6.	
John Fleming Treasr pd witnesses ordered by Court.....					10.	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House.....					5000.	25.829.54
					Balance	$179.82

The Board then Adjourned to this day a fortnight at 5 OClock

[334] In Common Council July 26th 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants.
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt
Samuel Stevens	Jonathan Seymour
Isaac Brown	William Mandeville
Anthony Lamb	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	John Rogers
James N Wells	Thomas Jeremiah
Bernard J Meserole	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting was read and approved.

The Return of the Clerk of the City and County of the Election of Alderman of the 5th Ward in the place of David Rogers Esquire absent. From which it appeared that [335] Anthony Lamb was duly elected. Upon Motion of the Recorder, the Clerk was directed to give information to Mr Lamb of his Election. Mr Lamb being in the Hall the Clerk waited upon him and introduced him to the Common Council

Chamber when the Oath prescribed [by] Law was administered by *the* his Honor the Mayor to Alderman Lamb who was thereupon conducted by the Clerk to his Seat at the Board.

The Account of James Pinkerton for sewer and paving at Barclay street presented to the Board by the Comptroller 17th May last and referred to the Street Committee, was again presented and the payment suspended until the Street Committee Report thereon.

Two Communications were received from Jacob Hardenbrook Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary agreeably to a Resolution of the Board reporting the escape of One Prisoner from the Penitentiary, and two from the sewer in Canal street while cleaning the same, was referred to the Police Committee.

A Communication was received from Arthur Burtis Superintendant of the Alms House that under the Ordinances of the [336] Corporation prohibiting Swine running at large, he had taken several running in the Streets. An Action of Trover was brought by Thomas H White owner of one of the Swine and a Verdict was returned by the Jury in favor of the Plaintiff. He made the representation for instruction on the subject. Whereupon the Communication was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Elias Hicks and John T Raynor respectively for the Office of Deputy Clerk of the Police Office were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of William B Crosby to have Cherry street between Rutgers and Clinton Streets regulated and paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Hicks & Henry Osborne respectively to be appointed Measurers of Coal were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office

A Petition of Tobias Ryckman to be appointed to the Office of Street Inspector of [337] the 9th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Letter was presented by the Mayor received by him from Peter S Townsend Esqr Assistant of 6th Ward, dated Island of Cuba July 3d 1830 stating that his health was so far restored by the Voyage & a months residence in the Island that he expected to be enabled soon to resume the duties of the Office with which the Ward had honored him. Whereupon the same was directed to be filed.

A Remonstrance of the Inhabitants of Canal street against cleaning the Sewer at this time, was read and referred to the Canal Committee.

A Petition of William C Houseman & others to have side walks of Fourth street paved from Bowery to Broadway was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William Van Buskirk to be compensated for the loss of his Horse which fell from the Centre pier of Peck Slip in consequence of the same being out of Repair was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[338] A Petition of Simon Fleet Clerk of Centre Market for an increase of Salary was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Robert R Lorton to be relieved from a Fine for selling Liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Patrick Reilly to be remunerated for the loss of a Horse stating that he was drawn to serve as a Juror before Judge Flanagans Court that supposing he would not be detained he had driven his horse and Cart to the Justices House and fastened him there, but the Jury were out all night, and during the time the Horse fell down and died. And praying some pecuniary relief. Whereupon the same was referred to the Committee on Charity.

A Petition of Francis Verille of the 12th Ward to be relieved from a fine & Costs for permitting a Dog to run at large was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of N W Seymour & others for a Well & Pump corner of Bayard [339] and Christie streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of William Walker & others to have Eldridge street paved between Hester and Division streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Charles Dean to be employed in the Medical Department of the Alms House was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

A Petition of William Parseyl & others to have the Side walks in Barrow street paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Cumming for Ballances due him on Sundry Contracts for paving severall streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of William Christie & others to have the Side walks of Morton street paved between Bleecker and Bedford streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[340] A Petition of William W Wetmore Junr Abraham Dally & Patrick Mollaghan severally for the Office of City Guager were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Robert W Piggott & others to be organized into a Company to take charge of an Engine to be located in the vicinity of Essex Market was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of a number of persons for the Removal of that part of Catharine Market which is situated between Cherry and Water street, that the lower Meat Market be removed and a new Market erected between Water and South streets—Also a Remonstrance of a number of persons, against said Petition, and one from the Butchers of the Market, were read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Thompson for an extension of time to pay the sum due to the Corporation on contract for dirt on 8th Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee

A Petition of R. C. Wetmore to be [341] remunerated for damage done his House at York Ville by blasting Rocks on the 3d Avenue was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Peter Remsen & others for the Removal of the Pump in Hanover Square, also to have a Cross walk laid from the corner of Pearl to the North side of Hanover Square was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 1st Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Thomas McKie & others against paving the side walks of West street between Harrison and Hubert streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John O Mara now confined in the Debtors Prison for relief from the payment of a Fine for selling liquors without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee with powers

A Petition of James Williams praying that an Ordinance in relation to his Cow Stables in Mercer street may be *re-enacted* [repealed] was read and laid on the Table.

[342] The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the resignations were Accepted and appointments made.

Fire Engine Co

No 1

Samuel Moore Carpenter—169 Chapel St To fill the Company

N° 12

Sidney B Hatfield Painter 95 Canal S[t] To fill the Company

N° 15

Charles H Moffatt Resigned

N° 16.

William P Barker—Lottery Office 139½ Grand S[t]

To fill the Company

N° 19

Ditmer Kreps Brass founder 132 Hester S[t]

V[c] Joseph Waterbury—Resigned

N° 24

William Cowan Cabinet Maker Wooster S[t]

V[c] Cha[s] S Miller Resigned

Supply C°

N° 1

Charles A Macy Accountant 187 Harman S[t]

V[c] Cornelius Schenck Resigned

[343] The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N° 1.	N W Stuyvesant	Owner	W side 3[d] Avenue Lots
2.	J. M Beltsoe	"	N° 42 Harrison S[t] Stable
3.	Benj[m] Archer & wife	"	W side of Mott S[t] Lots
4.	Dominick Haron	"	" Do
5.	John Suydam	"	40 West S[t] Cellar
6.	Garrit H Vanwagenen	"	S E corner 7[th] Avenue & 12[th] S[t] Lots & Stable
7.	Albert Wyckoff	"	" Do
8.	Alex[r] J Hamilton	"	E side Bloomingdale Road Lots
9.	" "	"	B 13[th] and 14[th] Streets Do
10.	William Lee	"	N° 137 Wooster Do
11.	Caleb T Ward	"	10 & 11[th] S[ts] "
12.	Charles Osborn	"	N W cor Grand & Lewis S[t] "
13.	Stephen Myers	"	E side West Street "
14.	Estate of Jacob Leroy Dec[d]	"	N W cor Broome & Pitt S[t] "
15.	George S Watkins	owner	E side West S[t] "
16.	Edw[d] Innet	"	" "
17.	Christian Zabriskie	"	" "
18.	Jacob P Roome & Son	"	" "

19. Dr E. L. Winthrop	owner	N side North St	Lots
20. William Graham	"	W side 1st Avenue	"
21. Estt Wm Edgar Decd	"	No 60 Columbia St	"
22. " Garrit B Abeel	"	E side of Clinton St	"
23. [344] William G Post	"	348 Madison St	"
24. Thomas Cooper	" or Lessee	46 Chrystie St	A Privy

I Warren City Inspectr

Which were read and passed.

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for filling in sunken Lots at the public expence and having a Lien thereon Vizt

To fill in sunken Lots on the North side of Perry street between Washington and West streets.

To fill in the sunken Lots on Easterly side of Green street between Bleecker & Amity streets.

To fill in sunken Lots between Avenue D and Lewis streets & between 5th & 6th Streets.

To fill in sunken Lots on the North West corner of 5th Avenue and 11th Street

The Counsel presented the following Report on Certificate of Lots sold for Assessments on 22d day of March last.

The Counsel to the Board respectfully submits herewith Seventy eight Certificates to be delivered to the purchasers of Lots sold for Assessments on the 22d day of [345] March last, and he suggests the propriety of passing the following Resolution.

Resolved that the said Certificates be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board

R Emmet.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

No. of Years	[346] To Whom Sold	Streets	Between What Streets	Amount paid	No. of Lots or Pieces
4	William S Sears	Nassau	Pine & Cedar	$341.99	1
10	Joseph Foster	6th Avenue	10th & 12th Streets	192.23	1
5	Do	Do	Do		1
8	Do	12th Street	5th & 6th Avenues		1
7	Edward Curtis	13th Street	Broadway & 5th Ave	33.06	1
13	Thomas Carpenter	Do	Do	547.59	14
15	A R Walsh	Do	6th & 7th Avenues	200.92	1
16	Do	Do	Do		1
14	Peter Remsen	Do	Do	188.47	1
14	Do	Do	Do		1
1	George Lovett	Green St	Bleeker & Amity	30.61	1
9	Peter Smith	Madison	Montgmy & Govenr	92.40	1
13	Do	Do	Gour & Scammel		1
10	Zephaniah Platt	Do	Do	34.56	1
8	William P Bolles	Pike	Madison & Henry	62.26	1
19	Richard R Ward	Jane	Asylum & Hudson	98.55	2
17	Francis B Cutting	Do	Do	125.06	2
15	John Molard	Hudson	Troy & Jane St	47.75	1
10	Isaac Amerman	Do	Jane & Horatio	67.63	1
17	Francis B Cutting	Jane	Hudson & Asylum	138.31	2
14	Do	Do	Do	120.64	2
6	Isaac Amerman	Bowery	15 & 16th St	17.89	1
5	William Osborn	Willett	Delancy & Rivington	17.84	1
6	William W Fox	Dow[n]ing	Bedford & Bleecker	39.22	2
30	William Post	5 Avenue	93 & 94th Streets	16.08	2
40	[347] Do	94th Street	4 & 5 Avenue	18.50	3
20	Do	5th Avenue	Cor. 94th Street	22.72	2
80	Do	91st Street	4 & 5 Avenue	13.46	1
70	Do	Do	Do	14.50	2
85	Do	94th Street	Do	14.50	2
20	Do	Do	Do	26.43	1 piece

No. of Years	To Whom Sold	Streets	Between What Streets	Amount paid	No. of Lots or Pieces
95	John Harris	100th Street	4 & 5 Avenue	13.79	1
90	Zephaniah Platt	Do	Do	13.79	1
4	Owen Geary	6th Avenue	29th & 30th Streets	501.06	1 piece
46	Isaac Amerman	86th Street	3d & 4 Avenues	47.72	2 lots
45	George Lovett	Do	Do	65.37	4
75	Do	Do	4th & 5th Avenues	38.89	3
85	Do	Do	Do	56.55	1 piece
50	Robert Pettigrew	Do	Do	91.85	8 lots
40	Do	3d Avenue	86th & 87th Streets	149.23	4
30	Do	Do	85 & 86th Streets	51.03	1 piece
30	Alva Finch	86th Street	4th & 5th Avenues	31.17	2 lots
1	Peter D Myers	Henry	Rutgers & Pike	38.12	1
2	Richard R Ward	Do	Cath & Oliver	64.12	1
5	Do	Governeur	Cor Harman	32.11	1
3	George W Berrian	Harman	near Governeur St	26.04	1
7	Edward Curtis	5th Street	Lewis & Mangin	1554.04	1 piece
1	William Osborn	Prince	Cor. Elizabeth	20.59	1 lot
7	David Demarest	Arden	Herring & Bedford	55.84	3
1	Joseph Townsend	Bowery	8th & 9th Streets	48.90	1
14	James I Roosevelt	Mulberry	Prince & Houston	30.36	1
1	[348] Elias Dixon	Bowery	8th & 9th Streets	134.05	1
1	Do	8th Street	Bdway & Bowery	134.05	1
1	Joseph Townsend	Do	Art & 8th Street	194.88	1
1	Francis B Cutting	Rivington	Orchard & Allen	18.40	1
7	Michael Dougherty	Scammel	Madison & Henry	81.67	1
5	James De Peyster	Do	Do & Lombardy	60.00	1
5	William Osborn	Do	Do & Henry	38.51	1
3	John H Brower	2d Avenue	1st & 2d Streets	40.98	1
15	Francis B Cutting	Greenwich Lane	Jane & Horatio	91.54	1
1	Daniel Demarest	Division	Clinton & Governeur	37.68	1
2	Do	Do	Do	37.68	1

No. of Years	To Whom Sold	Streets	Between What Streets	Amount paid	No. of Lots or Pieces
19	Jameson Cox	13th Street	6th & 7th Avenues	122.54	2
19	John L Graham	Do	5th & 6th Avenues	209.40	3
5	J J Coddington	Bowery & 15th St	Bowery & 3d Avenue	215.66	2
18	F B Cutting	17th Street	7th Avenue & Warren Road	81.99	5
20	Do	Jane	Hudson & Asylum	87.46	2
18	George W Berrian	Greenwich Lane	Jane & Horatio	197.48	3
17	Richard R Ward	Mulberry	Prince & Houston	108.01	1
1	Isaac Amerman	Herring	Jones & Barrow	88.79	1
20	William Post	5th Avenue 93d St	93d St 4 & 5th Avenues	34.84	10
40	Do	96 & 97th Streets	5th & 6 Avenues	23.21	8
80	John Molard	92d & 93d Streets	Do	19.02	4
30	William Post	91st & 92d Streets	Do	29.84	12
38	Zephaniah Platt	90th & 91st Streets	Do	29.84	12
50	Robert Pettigrew	4th Avenue 86th St	4th Ave. 86th St	81.02	2
17 & 20	Richard R Ward	12th Street	5 & 6 Avenues	55.62	2

The Committee on Repairs and the Comptroller presented the following Report on the Accounts of the Superintendent of Repairs for Six Months.

The Committee of Repairs and the Comptroller respectfully Report, that they have examined the accounts of Jacob P Roome Superintendent of Repairs from 4th January to 7 July 1830

He has received by Warrants	$21,516.00	
Articles Sold	685.60	
		$22,201.60
Paid out, Agreeably to Vouchers examined by the Committee of Repairs 100 Accounts	$22.043.30	
Balance due Superdt of Repairs 4 Jany 1830	86.49	22.129.79
Balance due Corporation 7 July 1830		$71.81

Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
William Mandeville
G N Bleecker Comptr

Which was Accepted and Ordered to be filed.

[349] The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well & Pump in Grove street near Bleecker street, together with objections against the same, which was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for paving Side walks in Centre street between Franklin and White streets which was confirmed and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents on sundry Assessments which were read and Warrants ordered to be issued to the Collectors thereof Vizt

For opening 15th Street from Bowery to Hudson River.

For regulating Lewis street between North & 8th Street.

For Well & Pump in Amity between Mercer & Green streets.

For Well & Pump in Charles street between Washington and West streets. Warrant to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

Also For Public Cisterns in front of Methodist Church in Bedford Street

For Public Cisterns corner of Hester [350] and Elizabeth streets.

For Public Cisterns corner of Broome and Ridge streets.

For opening 18th Street between Broadway and Fitz Roy road.

For Well & Pump in 10th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues Warrant to issue to John Hanmer the Collector thereof.

The Police Committee to whom was referred the charges against Resolvent Stephens made by Mr Conrey late deputy Keeper of the Bridewell presented a Report which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Communication of the Chief Engineer respecting the Hose of Fire Engine Company N° 44 being cut and destroyed at the late Fire in Walnut street presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the communication of the Chief Engineer, respecting the Hose of Fire Engine Company N° 44 being cut and destroyed at the late Fire in Walnut street.

Beg leave respectfully to Report.

[351] That they have fully examined in the subject committed to them, and from all the information they *they* have been enabled to procure, they are convinced that the Hose has been destroyed after the fire was extinguished, and the Engine placed in the House, the same must have been entered by some person or persons intending to destroy the Public property.

This being in the opinion of your Committee a case which requires prompt and efficient measures to bring the offenders to punishment, they offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Mayor be requested to offer a Reward of Fifty Dollars, to such person or persons who may give such information as may tend to convict the offenders of the above Offence

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
William Scott
John Rogers
Samuel Stevens
P. W Engs

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several documents relative [352] to the Petition of Nichs W Messerve for Stall N° 16 Fulton Market presented the following Report in favor of N W Messerve receiving Licence for said Stall.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions

and documents of Nicholas W Messerve and also of Jacob Manolt respecting the Transfer of Stall N° 16 Fulton Market

beg leave Respectfully to Report.

That they have heard the several Petitioners and from their statement it would appear, that M^r Jacob Manolt has lately become bankrupt & M^r Messerve has obtained a judgment against him for Fifteen hundred and ninety five Dollars damages and Six cents costs the balance due him on said Stall.

It is proposed by M^r Messerve to re-pay to M^r Manolt the sum of Five hundred Dollars and to receive the Stall again in his possession, this in the opinion of your Committee is reasonable and just, and M^r Manolt has agreed to the same: Your Committee offer for the consideration of the Common Council the following Viz^t

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted to Nicholas W Messerve for Stall N° 16 Fulton Market upon his paying the [353] above sum of Five hundred dollars.

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
B. J Meserole
Jon^a Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Side walks of 2^d Avenue paved from First to Second street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the Side walks of the Second Avenue paved from Second street to First street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of Second Avenue be paved from the First street to Second street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[354] The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving Side walks of 1^st Avenue from North to 2^d Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of paving the Side walks of the First Avenue from North street to Second street respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that Avenue ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of the First Avenue be paved from North street to Second street.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving William street from Maiden Lane to Pine street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving William street from Maiden Lane to Pine street Respectfully

[355] Report

That William street having been recently widened and improved renders it necessary that it should be repaved, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that William street be re-paved and the Side walks laid from Maiden Lane to Pine street.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Morton street paved from Washington to West street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have Morton street paved from Washington Street to West street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be paved, and accordingly offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Morton street be paved from Washington street to West street.

Thomas T Woodruff
[356] William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of sundry persons to have Market Street widened between Harman and Division streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Market street widened between Harman street and Division street

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion that part of Market street ought to be widened at that place, now that the Leases from the Rutgers family have expired, and the buildings of little or no value.

They therefore submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that it is desirable for public convenience that Market street be widened between Harman street and Division street.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the said matter and that the Petition for the purpose be [357] authenticated during the recess of the Board in the usual manner.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Lewis street regulated and repaved between North and 3^{d} Streets, and for regulating 8th Street from Avenue D to Lewis street presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Lewis street regulated and repaved between North and Third streets; And for regulating 8th Street between Avenue D and Lewis street —Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the re-paving of Lewis street is necessary and proper, and ought to be carried into effect. But the regulating of Eighth street is in their opinion inexpedient at this time.

Accordingly they submit the following resolutions.

Resolved that Lewis street be regulated and repaved from North street to the Northerly side of Third street.

[358] Resolved that it is inexpedient to fill and regulate Eighth street from Avenue D to Lewis street.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of re-paving Vesey street from Washington to West street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of repaving Vesey street from Washington street to West street Respectfully

Report

That the repaving of that part of Vesey street is much required and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Vesey street be repaved between Washington and West streets.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[359] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Side walks of Downing street laid from Bleecker to Varick street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks laid in Downing street from Bleecker Street to Varick street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of Downing street be paved from Bleecker street to Varick street.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of re-paving William street from Pearl to Duane street, and of Duane street from William to Chatham street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of re-paving William street [360] from Pearl street to Duane street, and of Duane street *and of Duane street* from William street to Chatham street.

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the repaving of those parts of William and Duane street is much required and therefore submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that William street be repaved from Pearl street to and including the intersection of Duane street.

Resolved that Duane street be repaved from William street to Chatham street.

Thomas T Woodruff
William Scott
John Rogers
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto.

For repaving William street from Maiden Lane to Pine street and John Targee Abraham Quick and Reuben Munson were appointed Assessors.

[361] For repaving parts of William and Duane streets and Shivers Parker, Thomas R Smith and Samuel Gilford Jr were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Lewis street from North to 3d Street and John Lozier, Abraham Baudoine and Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Vesey street from Washington to West street and Gideon Tucker, Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors.

For paving Morton street from Washington to West street and James Fairlie, Peter Stagg & Abm Le Foy were appointed Assessors

For paving Side walks of 1st Avenue from North to Second street and David Lyon William Lockwood & Charles Dusenbury were appointed Assessors.

For paving the side of walks of 2d Avenue from 1st to 2d Street and James Fairlie, Peter Stagg & Abraham Le Foy were appointed Assessors.

For paving the Side walks of Downing street and John Lozier Jacob S Baker and Abraham Baudoine were appointed Assessors.

[362] Alderman Palmer moved that when this Board adjourn, they Adjourn to meet this day Four weeks at 5 OClock P M. The Question being taken thereon and a Division called by Alderman Stevens the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson Scott Rogers Lovett 14

In the Negative. Ald Stevens I Brown Lamb Strong Lee Mandeville Arcularius Jeremiah Dibblee Engs 10

So it was carried in the Affirmative.

Alderman Stevens agreeably to Notice given, moved that the Board now reconsider the Vote given at the last Meeting upon the Report of the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs. The Question being taken, will the Board [363] reconsider, it passed in the Negative.

The Joint Committee on Public Offices and Jail and Bridewell presented a Report on subject of Mr Engs Resolution to accommodate the Prisoners from the Jail in another Building which was read and after some discussion, and before any Question was taken thereon a Motion was made to adjourn and was carried.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash account.

Balance as per Actt 12th Inst.	$179.82
Recd for Streets	9159.69
" " Tax of 1829	4800.
" " Lottery Licences	5000.
" " Rents	1356.99
" " Tavren Licences	640.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	572.50
" " Justices Courts	468.89
" " Cartmen & Porters Licences	283.25
" " Fines of Attorney	149.05
" " Mayoralty fees	66.25
" " Wells & Pumps	38.
" " Fines of Sheriff for 6 Months	23.24
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorized 25th Jany	8500.
	$31.237.68

[364] 56 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist			1386.
Asten & Field	" 2d "		994.
Stagg & Herring	" 3d "		945.
J Sidell First Marshall 1 Qr Salary 1 July			225.
D D Williamson Messenger 1 Qr 26 July			125.
Robt Emmet to pay Amt recovered in Suit by Stephen Miller ordered 12 July			1307.50
Ald Meserole Chairan Balance of appropriation 5 July			1000.
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Accounts			106.25
J L Cregier Clerk issuing Tavren Licences 1 day			2.
F Seely, J G Finn & R Phillips attends at Cath Market 1 Qr 1 Apr 1830			62.
Abm Leggett Superdt Mud Scow 2 weeks to 25 July			128.11
Geo: W Skellorn bal for retaking Prisoners escaped fm Bridewell			109.13
D D Williamson & J Ahern preparing Jury list Grand Jurors 1830-31			50.
Jas Shaw Sheriff for Officers conveyg Prisoners to Penitentiary & House of Refuge 6 Mo 1 July			41.
J. B Schmelzel for Inspectors & Clerks Election 5th Ward		13 & 14 July	30.
J Sidell first Marshal to pay Peace Officers	Do	Do	40.
Wm H Falls Atty for N Reynolds Awd openg 15 St fm		Bowery to H River	1000.
Albert Wyckoff bal	Do	Do	574.
Alexr Knox	Do	Do	521.
George C Talmadge bal	Do	Do	221.
Theodore B Talmadge bal.	Do	Do	201.
James Walton	Do	Do	200.
John Hone bal	Do	Do	197.
John Williams	Do	Do	177.
J. F Delaplaine & A W Clason bal Awd openg 18th St from Bloomingdale Road to Fitz Roy Road			1442.40
[365] J Devlin pavg Barrow St fm 6th Avenue to Gilberts Line			577.27
O McCabe bal repavg Jane Street fm G Lane to Asylum St			248.14
O McCabe bal repavg 1st Avenue between North & 6th St			228.67
J Lyon bal pavg Greenwich St fm Bank St to Kill Road			157.66
Mary Spingler bal Awd opening 15th St fm Bowery to Hudson River			2758.
T Cumming Actt reg & pavg West St fm late State Prison to Hammd St			280.
Wm Gee posting bills for Street Comr			28.20
J Targee & Associates Comrs fees & Expences opening 4th Avenue from Bloomingdale Road to 28th St Abandoned			1023.
E Doughty Surveys &c	Do	Do	194.
H & P Smith pavg flagging &c at Cath Market		Do	422.65
F Hall & Co advertising Assessments 9th Ward			29.

R Tillotson return Costs on 3 Lots Madison St sold 22d March redeemd	21.	
D Harron for Well 6th St near 3d Avenue removed	85.	
D Harron Do Art street near Broadway removed	73.	
J Gallagher Junr bal Well Mulberry B[etween] Spring & Prince St	27.50	
J McBarron bal for Well 20th St near 8th Avenue	17.50	
R Graves St Comr Actt McAdamising 3d Avenue	500.	
Saml F Mott Treasr Public School Society for Lottery Licences	6000.	
Owen Smith filling Lot Mangin near Grand St Lien. W Vail	34.63	
Thos Howe for buildg over Steam Engine Public Reservoir bal	607.24	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Repairs	2059.	
J. P. Roome " Fire Dept	1900.	
J. P. Roome " Markets	675.	
J. P. Roome " Pumps	520.	
J. P. Roome " Docks	200.	
C Mapes Treasr Institution Deaf & Dumb 1 Qr 13 July	412.50	
[366] A Burtis Super Alms House & Clerk 1 Qr 1 July	525.	
J Wood Physician Bellevue " "	375.	
W F Stevenson 10 days sunday Service 10th Ward to 7th June	15.	
Valleau & Flender Supetg cleaning Sewers to 22d July	102.75	
J. F Sibell 2500 Segars	45.	31.226.10
Balance		$11.58

The Board adjourned to this day Four weeks at 5 OClock P. M.

The following Report on subject of Fire proof Buildings for Records &c made on the 9th March 1829 and laid on the Table afterwards called up & Referred to the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs and which should have been inserted at page 283 is now Inserted here as follows.

The Joint Committee, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Register of the City of New York stating the necessity of securing the Records in said Office, from danger by Fire, and in consequence of the accumulation of Books; to make further arrangements as respects more room, and likewise the consideration of a Resolution offered by Alderman Peters Septemr 24th 1827 and referred to said Committee, which resolution proposes, the erection of a Fire proof [367] building with apartments to receive the Records of the different departments including the Records of the Courts beg leave to Report that they have carefully investigated the subject, and find that the records of the Courts, which are the evidences of the titles of property to the amount of many Millions of Dollars; The great importance of your

Registers Office, as respects real estate, likewise your Comptrollers Office and your Street Commissioners Office, which has already been on fire, and was very near being destroyed, And further, that in consequence of the necessity of having fire and light at all times of night, in all parts of the building; and the necessity of allowing free access to every part of it, to all classes of Citizens, and the Records Books Maps &c being of a combustible nature, do consequently greatly endanger this valuable building.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that a suitable fire proof building should be provided as soon as possible; And your Committee beg leave farther to state, that they have carefully examined the Debtors Gaol, which is soon to be vacated, and find that it will answer every purpose, for the fire proof building proposed. Its walls are of the best quality, and built in the most substantial manner, the interior is divided in a suitable manner with Stone Partition walls to every Room 22 inches thick, and consequently will only require [368] the wooden floors taken out, and brick Arches put in their places, the Doors and windows made of Iron, and the outside finished in a handsome manner, so as to represent marble a flat Copper or Stone roof, with a neat balustrade all round thus giving you at a comparitively small expence a handsome building of 60 by 75 feet containing 14 fire proof rooms, ten of which are 18 by 19 and four are 19 by 26 feet, the said rooms being sufficiently spacious for all the purposes required— And farther, the advantages of making use of the said walls, are as follows; The age of the Walls has made them permanent to receive the pressure of the arches, which if you were to build a new one would require the outside walls to be double the thickness to be of equal strength—The present walls are perfectly dry, and can be made ready to receive your Records &c in nine months, Whereas a new building could not be used for several years without destroying your papers in consequence of the dampness of your Walls. The probable cost, according to a rough estimate made by your Committee, for the alteration of said building as above proposed (the minute description of which is not inserted here) will be from 15 to 20,000 Dollars and your Committee are of opinion that the cost of erecting a new building of the same description would be from 35 to 40,000 Dollars making a saving [*] by using the walls of the present Jail of one half the expence, independent of the advantages of having the use of the building for the purposes for which it is required much sooner than

* New page, not numbered.—ED.

if you were to build a new one—In consideration of the above your Committee beg leave to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Committee be directed to procure a plan representing the proposed alteration of the present Jail, and in the usual manner obtain estimates of the Cost of said alteration and submit the same to this Board at the next Meeting

Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
David Rogers
Thomas Jeremiah
William Mandeville
Jeremiah Dodge
David Bryson

VOLUME SEVENTY-THREE

OF

MANUSCRIPT MINUTES

August 23, 1830 to November 29, 1830

[1] In Common Council August 23. 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
George D Strong	Henry Arcularius
William Seaman	William Scott
Benjamin M Brown	Joseph W Beadel
James N Wells	John Rogers
Bernard J Meserole	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Approved.

His Honor the Mayor stated that the following Cash account of the Comptroller had been examined by the Finance Committee during the recess of the Board, that Warrants had issued [2] in the usual way for the same. Whereupon the same was approved.

Comptrollers Account August 9. 1830.

Balance as per Actt 26 July	11.58
Recd for Streets	9268.17
" " Tax of 1829	3000.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1435.50
" " Mayoralty fees	44.
	$13.759.25

52 Accounts Audited

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch	1st Dist			1386.
Astin & Field	" 2d "			994.
Stagg & Herring	" 3d "			945.
J Morton Clerk C C	1 Qur	Salary	1st August	500.
A B Martling Keeper City Hall	1 Qr	"	..	250.
H Storms Inspector of Hacks	1 Qr	2d "	..	200.
J Ahern Clerk Mayors Office	1 Qr	1st "	..	125.
O Ayres & J Coffin Asst City Inspectr	1 Mo	"	..	121.50
Asten & Higbee Assst Keepers City Hall	"	"	..	77.50
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield	"	"	..	69.75

D. J. Burger	regulating Public Clocks				1 Qr	1st	August	..	50.	
T Asten	Street Inspector	1st	Ward		1 Mo	"	"	..	46.50	
T Woolcocks	"	2d	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
J B Ebbetts	"	3d	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
N B Lyon	"	4th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
I A Isaacs	"	5th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
A Morris	"	6th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
[3] F Gantz	do	7	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
H. B. Roome	do	9th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
T Austin	Do	10th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
E Kingsland	Do	12th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
D Hubbard	Do	13th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
P Field	Do	14th	"		"	"	"	..	46.50	
S Miller	Public Administrator				1 Qur	"		..	312.50	
Abm Leggett	Super Mud Scow	2 weeks to 8 August						.....	130.16	
J Pinckney & A Parker.	Asst Board of Health	1 Mo 1 August						.....	108.	
G Duryea	Clerk	Fulton Market			1 Mo	1	August	..	87.86	
L Baum	"	Washington Market			"	"		..	80.67	
J Gilbert	"	Clinton & Greenwich			"	"	"	..	59.	
J Bremner	"	Catharine			"	"	"	..	62.	
S Fleet	"	Centre			"	"	"	..	49.	
R Smith	"	Franklin			"	"	"	..	38.75	
Jas Seaman	"	Manhattan			"	"	"	..	31.	
John M Devoy	"	3 Markets			"	"	"	..	58.50	
Wm Rockwell	Physician City Prison				1 Qr	"		..	75.	
J Hays for Officers conveyg	Prisoners to Penitentiary & House of Refuge fm Special Sessions	7 Mo 1 August						...	102.50	
Jas Shaw	Sheriff for Officers attends	Courts			1 Qr	1	August		1966.50	
S Jones	Chief Justice	Superior Court			1 Qr	1	August	.....	625.	
J. O Hoffman—	Justice	do			"	"		.....	625.	
T. J Oakley	"	"			"	"		.....	625.	
John P Roome	Crier of Court				"	3d	"	.....	50.	
D. T Valentine	Marshal Marine Court	1 Mo 1 August						.....	33.75	
[4] J Hammond	Justice	1. 2. 3	Wards		1 Qr	1	August	.....	400.	
E Morrell	"	4. 6	"		"	"		.....	400.	
H Meigs	"	5. 8. 14	"		"	"		.....	400.	
E. T. Pinckney	"	9. 11	"		"	"		.....	400.	
D M Cowdrey	Clerk	1. 2. 3	"		"	"		.....	187.50	
Geo Betts	"	4. 6	"		"	"		.....	187.50	
Peter See	"	5. 8. 14	"	19	May	to	1st August		152.09	
R L Jaques	"	9. 11	"	1	Qr		"		187.50	
H Scovell	Justice	7. 10. 13	"	"			"		400.	
Jas Lozier	Clerk	" "	"	"			"		187.50	13.299.03

Balance $460.22

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was Adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorised to borrow under the direction of the Finance Committee whenever it may be deemed necessary, any sum not exceeding, Eighty thousand Dollars at an Interest not exceeding Six per Cent per Annum.

Upon Motion of Mr Mandeville it was Resolved that it be referred to a Special Committee to take into consideration, and to Report to this Board some mode for directing the employment of Marshals & Constables attending the Courts of Justice and as to their compensation. The Mayor [5] appointed on that Committee Mr Roosevelt Mandeville Dibblee Ald B M Brown Woodruff.

Upon like Motion it was referred to the same Committee to Report to this Board on the subject of the service of Subpenas on Witnesses by the Peace Officers and to Report some arrangement therefor.

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution which was read and Adopted.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House be authorised to have Pottersfield enclosed with a suitable Board fence the Cost not to exceed Five hundred Dollars.

The Report of the Joint Committees on Public Offices and Jail & Bridewell which was under consideration at the last Meeting of the Board when an Adjournment took place was now called up and read in the words following.

The Joint Committees on Public Offices an[d] Gaol and Bridewell to whom was referred the Resolution to authorize the Committee of Repairs to fit up part of the Old Alms House for the [6] accommodation of the prisoners in the Gaol

Respectfully Report.

That by an Act passed by the Legislature on the 10th of April 1824 the Common Council were authorized to erect a new Gaol and Bridewell or to appropriate for that purpose any buildings already erected. Altho more than six years have elapsed since this power was obtained, yet, owing to the great diversity of opinion to which its exercise has given use, nothing effectual has been done. At the last meeting however of the Common Council, a report was adopted directing the fitting up of the present Gaol for the reception of the Public Records, and, as a necessary consequence requiring other accommodations to be provided for the confinement of the Debtors. In this view, it is presumed, the Resolution in question was presented.

Owing to the heavy responsibilities imposed upon the Sheriff in cases of escape from confinement on civill process the building devoted to that object is required to be perfectly secure. To remove the apprehensions of that Officer, it is found that much greater expence must be laid upon the Old Alms House than would be consistent with the temporary nature of the arrangement. Your Committee have therefore endeavoured to devise some other plan less liable to objection; and they have come to [7] the conclusion that under all the circumstances, it would be most advisable as a temporary arrangement, that the Bridewell should be turned into a Debtors Prison, and that the Criminals should be removed to the establishment at Bellevue. By adopting this course no expence will be incurred, and the future changes now in contemplation, may hereafter be made without loss.

A large Portion of the Penitentiary, owing to the removal of the prisoners to Blackwells Island, is now vacant, and the building (in every thing except its name) is in fact a Bridewell ready built. Its distance will no doubt be attended with some inconvenience, an evil however which as the City increases will be daily decreasing and which even now may be greatly mitigated by holding there the Courts of Special Sessions, and also a branch of the Police Office. And with respect to the present Bridewell its occupation as a Gaol would probably be of short duration, inasmuch as the barbarous practice of imprisonment for debt, jud[g]ing from the strong indications of public sentiment will no doubt eer long be abolished. Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the building in this City at present known as the Bridewell be and the [8] same is hereby designated as the Gaol of this City for the confinement of persons on civil process.

Resolved that the Building at Bellevue, in this City known as the Penitentiary be and the same is hereby designated as the City Prison or Bridewell of this City.

Resolved that the Keeper of the City Prison forth with cause the prisoners under his charge to be removed to the said Prison at Bellevue and that the Debtors in actual confinement be thereupon removed to the Goal or debtors Prison so newly designated as aforesaid

James I Roosevelt Jr
James N Wells
Thos Jeremiah
David Bryson
John Rogers

After considerable discussion, the question was taken on adopting the Resolutions, and a Division having been called by Alderman Stevens the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Al^d Nevius Seaman B M Brown Wells Lee [9] Woodruff M^r Roosevelt Bryson Scott Beadel Rogers Jeremiah Lovett 13

In the Negative M^r Recorder Mott Stevens I Brown Strong Al^d Meserole Marsh M^r Seymour Mandeville Dibblee 10

So it was carried in the Affirmative. Alderman Stevens gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting.

The following Resolution was read and laid on the Table.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Repairs to cause the small buildings and Nuisances to be removed from the Old Bridewell, and that the said Main building be handsomely fitted up.

M^r Mandeville presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Resolved that the Fire Committee be requested to hold a conference with M^r Elisha Hall on the subject of Rotary Engines, and if they approve [10] of them, Resolved, that the Committee be empowered to contract for one Engine as an experiment to prove their utility in extinguishing Fires.

The Special Committee appointed to investigate the Official conduct of the Inspector of the 11^th Ward (Ab^m Hatfield) presented a Report which was read and laid on the Table. A motion was made to print the same, But it was Negatived

His Honor the Mayor announced to the Board that he had received intelligence of the death of Colonel Marinus Willett a distinguished Officer of the Revolutionary War, a highly respected Citizen and who once filled the Office of Mayor of this City he departed this life last evening in the 90^th year of his age.

The Recorder then presented the following Resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

Resolved that the Common Council entertain for the Memory of Colonel Marinus Willett the most profound respect. That they remember with grateful recollection the eminent public services of the deceased. His patriotism and devotion to his Country. His atcheivements in the War of the Revolution. His volour in battle, His heroic firmness in the most dangerous of Military [11] enterprizes, and his early constant and unshaken support in the great cause of American Independence.

Nor is the Common Council unmindful of the strong claims, which the deceased has upon the respectful feelings of his fellow Citizens, for the able upright and enlightened manner in which he discharged his Civil duties in the various important public stations which he filled.

Resolved, that as a tribute of respect to the virtues of Colonel Marinus Willett, the Corporation of the City of New York will assemble at the Common Council Chamber in the City Hall at 4 OClock to morrow afternoon, and will from thence proceed to attend the funeral of the deceased.

Resolved that a Copy of the preceeding Resolutions, with the Condolence of the Common Council be transmitted by His Honor the Mayor under the Corporate Seal to the family of Colonel Willett.

Alderman Stevens moved that the Members attend with their Staves of Office which was agreed to.

The Mayor laid before the Board sundry papers in relation to the application of Charles Hoyt & others to the Supreme Court for an Injunction to the Corporation to shew cause [12] why a Ferry should not be established from the City of New York, South of Fulton Slip Ferry to Brooklyn on Long Island, together with an Order of the Court thereon. Which were referred to the Counsel to take the proper and legal steps thereon.

The Mayor appointed Alderman Lamb of the 5th Ward on the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips And on the Committee on Public Offices in the place of Alderman Rogers.

The Mayor laid before the Board the following Resolution which had been proposed by the Board of Health, the same having been read was Adopted.

Resolved that the Board of Health consist of the Mayor Recorder and Aldermen and that any seven Members shall form such Board and be competent to transact business.

The Keeper of the City Prison presented the Monthly Return of prisoners confined therein, which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Deputy Keeper of the Penitentiary presented a Return of the Escape of George [13] Jackson and John LeRock the former while working on the 3d Avenue, the latter from the Island the same having been read was referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Aaron Smith, Cornelius L Sidell, Cornelius Roosa, James S Carpenter and Alva Neal for the Office of Deputy Clerk in the Police Office were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of James C Roosevelt & C C Eddy to have Batavia street repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Horace Bates and Ralph Duncan for the Office of City Guager were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Andrew M^cCready for balance due him of an Account as Keeper of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A Petition of George Abbee and others proprietors of the Union Line Steam Boats for [14] Philadelphia praying that an Ordinance may be passed regulating the stand and number of Cartmen in the vicinity of Pier N° 1 North River was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Owners and Occupants of property in the vicinity of Lewis street praying to have said Street regulated between 3^d & 4^th Streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of William B Crosby & others praying that Lombardy street may be widened to the contemplated line was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James Reeves for permission to transfer Stall N° 19 Clinton Market to William James Pell was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Abel Harker to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for building a Cistern contrary to Law was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine C° N° 37 to have their location changed to [15] the vicinity of Essex Market was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department

A Petition of the Members of Fire Engine C° N° 6 and also of a number of Inhabitants praying that the said Engine be Located at the Junction of Hudson and Chamber street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Edmund Morewood to have the low grounds between 17^th & 18^th Streets 5^th Avenue and Bloomingdale Road filled in was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of Samuel Dunbar and others owners of Property in Houston & Mulberry streets praying that Houston S^t between Broadway and the Bowery and Mulberry street between Houston & Bleecker streets may be paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of James M^cAllis & others also of Frederick Backus & others to have Asylum street opened and paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of David Cargill for a Well & Pump in Crosby street between Bleecker & Houston streets was read and referred to the Alderman & [16] Assistants of the 9th & 14th Wards and the Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Albert Wyckoff & others to have a Well & Pump placed in 14th Street near 6th Avenue was read and referred to the Aldermen and Assistants of the 9th & 12th Wards and the Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Henry Reimer & others to have a Well & Pump placed near the intersection of Allen and Walker streets was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 10th Ward and Street Commissioner.

An Invitation was received from the Trustees of the Apprentices Library to attend the Annual opening of the same on Wednesday evening 1st September at 7 OClock was read and Accepted.

A Petition of William S Champion to Lease from the Corporation a small piece of ground at the North East corner of the piece of Land at Manhattan Market foot of Stanton street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[17] A Petition of Isaac Asten Sweeper of Fulton Market praying that his Salary may be increased was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of J Snyder and others for a Well & Pump corner of 18th Street and 10th Avenue was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of William Peck to be re-instated in the situation of Lamp lighter was read and referred to the Lamp Committee

A Petition of the Members of Engine N° 40 & N° 3 to have Alarm Bells placed in the vicinity of their Engine Houses to be rung during Fires was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of M Coddington to have the Engine House at the foot of Duane street removed and the Square enclosed with a pale fence was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[18] The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the Resignations were Accepted and Appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine Co

N° 1

George Luke—Grocer 380 Greenwich St

Vc Jacob Merseiles. Resigned

N° 5.

Obadiah W Valentine Accountant 23 Ann S^t^
V^c^ John W Hyatt Time Expired

N° 6.

Jacob Merceiles—Carpenter 25 Provoost S^t^ To fill Company

N° 15.

Henry B Roberts 6 Stanton S^t^ To fill Company

N° 23

Francis M^c^Keon—Printer 510 Broome S^t^
V^c^ Gilliam Rutan Resigned
John G Martin—Blacksmith 17 Eldrige S^t^
V^c^ Eccles Gillender—Resigned

[19] N° 26

George W Coutant—Cabinet Maker 153 Madison S^t^
V^c^ William C Brooks App^d^ Warden
Lewis Lane—Mason Madison S^t^ To fill Company

N° 27

James Young—Mason Watts Street
V^c^ John Gatten—Time Expired
George Luke Resigned

N° 28

Robert Inkster—Cordwainer Co^r^ Chrystie & Division
V^c^ James K Roe Time Expired

N° 29

Lewis Reed—Shoe Maker 122 Bedford S^t^
V^c^ Jacob A Powles—Resigned

N° 31

Jesse Brush—Coach Painter Leonard S^t^
V^c^ John Crawford. Time Expired

N° 32

John D Welch—Sash Maker 52 Allen S^t^
V^c^ Cornelius L Purdy—Resigned

N° 41

Jacob W Banta—Ship Carpenter 395 Grand S^t^
V^c^ Henry H Scofield Resigned

N° 48

Robert McBlain—Grocer Cor 8th Avenue & 21st St To fill Company.

[20] Fire Hook & Ladder Co

N° 1

William W Young Silver smith 67 Broad St To fill Company

N° 2

Edward C Mead—Carpenter Cor Ann St Vc To fill Company

N° 3

Henry Ferdon—Mason 56 Vandam St Vc John Degraw—Resigned

N° 6

Thomas M Beare—Clerk 522 Broadway

Vc John Tompkins
Levi Strangman
Jacob L C Roome
John Yeatman
} Resigned

Fire Warden Co 10th Ward

John Cox—Cartman 70 Forsyth St

Vc Schuyler Valentine—Time Expired.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the Correction of sundry Nuisances—Which were read and passed.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

[21]

N°					
	1.	John Hillyer	Executor	W side 1st Avenue	A Lot
	2.	Joseph Graham	Owner	Do	Do
	3.	Nathel Reynolds	"	between 16th & 18h Streets	Do
	4.	Christian Zabriskie	"	E side Wehawken St	Do
	5.	Rodman Bowne	"	" Wooster St	Do
	6.	Joseph L Moore	"	215 20th St	Cellars
	7.	William Osborn	"	W side of Orange St	Lot
	8.	Wm Moneypenny	"	Do	Do
	9.	John G Graff	"	S W cor Harman & Montgomery St	Do
	10.	George Vaughn	"	399 Cherry St	Do
	11.	Samel Gage	"	Lewis Cor 4th St	Do
	12.	Peter Badau	"	203 Chrystie St	Do
	13.	J. J. Astor or J Beekman	"	Ann St cor Theatre Alley	Do
	14.	George Lovett	Executor or Agent	Laurens St	Do
	15.	Wm McElwain	Lessee	Do	Do
	16.	James Dowd	owner	243 Mott St	Do

17. John Morss	owner	N E cor 5th Avenue & 16th St	A Lot
18. Do	"	5th Avenue between 10th & 11th Sts	Do
19. Isaac Halsey	"	113 Willett St	Cow Stable
20. Jesse Howe	Executor	N E cor Grand & Pitt Sts	Stable & Yard

Isaac Warren
City Inspector

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinances for filling in Sunken Lots at the public expence, they having a Lein thereon for the payment of said Expence

[22] To fill in sunken Lots. South side of Christopher street between Gay and Factory streets

To fill in a Sunken Lot South East corner of Christopher and Gay streets.

To fill in a sunken Lot at the North Easterly corner of Factory and Sixth streets.

To fill in and fence Sunken Lots fronting on the East side of Mulberry street between Prince & Houston streets.

Which several Ordinances were passed.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 10th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Bayard corner of Chrystie street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 10th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have a Well & Pump placed near the Intersection of Bayard and Chrystie street, Respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much required at that place, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

[23] Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Chrystie street near Bayard street.

B J Meserole
Thos Jeremiah
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of the Manhattan Gas light Company presented a Report which was laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Counsel presented a Report stating that the Supreme Court had at its late sitting confirmed the proceedings of the Commissioners

on extending Asylum street, and opening the Tenth Avenue, which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

The Counsel presented the following Report relative to the Lease from the Corporation to John & Thomas Morrell for two Lots at Williamsburgh.

The Counsel begs leave to lay before the Board a Lease from the Corporation to John and Thomas Morrell, for two Lots of ground at Williamsburgh, prepared in pursuance of a [24] Resolution adopted June 29th 1829 on a Report from the Finance Committee, and he respectfully submits the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board.

"Resolved that the Lease to John & Thomas Morrell above mentioned be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board, and that the same be delivered to them on their surrendering to be cancelled, the old Lease held by them for Lots at Williamsburgh, and on paying the expence of such new Lease"

R Emmet

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Street Commissioner presented the following Report and Draft of an Ordinance for filling streets and Lots at Greenwich Village.

The Street Commissioner herewith covers the draft of an Ordinance for filling up making and completeing Washington street Bank street, Bethune street and Troy street between Hammond and Jane streets as they are severally reserved in the Grants of Water Lots and agreeably to the conditions expressed in the said Grants, and also for filling up the several Lots lying on and adjoining the said Streets.

All which the Street Commissioner [25] respectfully recommends may be passed in order that the making of the respective Streets and the filling of the Water Lots may be carried into effect

Respectfully submitted

R Graves

St Commr

Which was read and Approved and the Ordinance was passed.

A Communication was received from the Street Commissioner respecting the building of a Pier at the foot of King street, which was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

The Street Commissioner presented an Ordinance for a Well & Pump in Chrystie street which was passed and John Harris, Jedediah B Leister & John Slidell were appointed Assessors

Alderman Lee stated a request from Ava Neal that he might be considered as an applicant for the Office of Deputy Clerk of Police Office which was referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents on sundry Assessments Whereupon Warrants were directed to issue to the [26] Collectors thereof.

For widening Ann street from Nassau street to Broadway

For building a Well and erecting a Pump in Mulberry street between Prince & Spring streets Warrants to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector.

For two public Cisterns front of Dutch Church in King street.

For a Well & Pump 8th Avenue near 19th Street

For a Well & Pump 17th Street near 8th Avenue Warrants to issue to John Hanmer the Collector.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto.

For a Well & Pump in North street near Willett street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in Hubert street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating 7th Street from the First Avenue to Avenue A and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

[27] For regulating and paving Wehawken street from Christopher to Amos street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For a Well & Pump in William street near Cedar street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For repaving Suffolk street between Division and Grand streets—And Hester street between Suffolk and North streets, and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the Petition of William Van Buskirk for remuneration for loss of his Horse backing off from Pier at Peck Slip presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips on a Petition from William Van Buskirk for remuneration for loss of his Horse by backing off from the Easterly side of Middle Pier, Peck Slip

Respectfully Report.

That your Committee have ascertained, that the backing pieces at Peck slip was level with the dirt on the Pier, and have reason to believe that the Horse would not have gone off had the backing piece been a

proper heighth, it appears that at the time of the [28] accident the Petitioner (being lame) was not driving himself, but his son a lad of about 17 years of age was driving for him, and was not legally authorised to do so, Your Committee take the liberty of stating that the Petitioner as they are informed is a person of very good character, has heretofore been very unfortunate, and losing his Horse (worth $70) at this time has left him destitute even of a Dollar, and a large family dependant upon him for support; If he had been driving his horse at the time, or if his son had been deputised agreeably to the Law on that subject, the Committee would have had no hesitation in Reporting in his favor, but as his son was driving in violation of the Law, the Committee are compelled to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to Grant the Prayer of the Petitioner.

John Lovett
Peter J Nevius
Isaac Brown
Joseph W Beadel

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William B Crosby for permission to re-pave Cherry street between Rutgers and Clinton streets presented the following Report [29] in favor of the same.

The Street Committe to whom was referred the Petition of William B Crosby for permission to re-pave Cherry street between Rutgers street and Clinton street at his own expence respectfully Report

That in their opinion the request of the Petitioner ought to be granted, and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Cherry street be repaved from Rutgers street to Clinton street

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Eldridge street repaved from Division to Hester street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Eldridge street re-paved from Division street to Hester street Respectfully

Report

that in their opinion, that Street requires to be repaved, and accordingly submit the following [30] Resolution.

Resolved that Eldridge street be repaved, from Division to Hester streets and the side walks thereof re-laid

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Delancy street regulated and paved between Goerck Street and Bulk head at Tompkins street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have Delancy street regulated and paved between Goerck street and the Bulk head at Tompkins street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion, the paving of that part of Delancy street is much required and ought to be carried into effect, and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that Delancy street be regulated and paved between Goerck street and the Bulkhead at Tompkins street.

[31] Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash account.

Balance as per Account 9th Inst	460.22
Recd for Tax of 1829	16.980.41
" " Streets	9.689.43
" " Rents	8,447.44
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	1.811.
" " Street Manure for July	1.358.70
" " Justices Courts	1.038.37
" " Tavren Licences	1.010.
" " Arrears of Tax	479.82
" " Wells & Pumps	422.91
" " Mayoralty fees	40.

Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 25th Jany 1830 balance..... 9.500.
" Do Do 23d August on Acct..... 46.000.

$97.238.30

94 Accounts Audited and directed to be paid.

[32] Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist..... 1386.
Astin & Field Do 2d " ..... 994.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d " ..... 945.
G. N Bleecker Comptroller 1 Qur Salary 15 August..... 450.
J. P. Roome Super Repairs 1 Qr " 14th " ..... 300.
T. J Waters Clerk Comptrollers Office " 24th " ..... 250.
Jacob Lozier Clk St Comrs Office " 11th " ..... 125.
Wm G Babb St Inspector 8 Ward 1 Mo 1st " 46.50
R Emmet drawing Bonds Deeds Leases Certificates &c 1 Apl to 23d August..... 651.46
A. B. Martling Expences at City Hall 1 Qr 1 August..... 216.20
J Morton Clerk C. C. for Hack Acts &c..... 20.34
J Coffin Asst City Inspector removg Nuisances 1 Mo 1 Augst 56.25
H Sickles & J Secor Sunday service 8th Ward 19 days each to 23d August 57.
B Robinson & W P Slason " 11th Ward 18 " 2d August 54.
J W Somerindyke & T Farrington " 6th Ward 18 " 6 August 54.
J G Finn & F Seely " 4 Ward 17 " 26 July... 51.
C Huntington " 1 Ward 17 days to 26 July..... 25.50
Isaac Warren City Inspector 1 Qur Salary 9 August..... 200.
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 22d August..... 129.85
Jas Hopson Special Justice 1 Qr Salary 12 August 400.
J W Wyman Do " " 400.
O M Lownds Do from 29 June to " 195.55
R Stephens Clerk Police 1 Qur " 312.50
R Hatfield Clerk of Sessions 1 Qur " 500.
R Hatfield Do paid Witnesses 1 Qr " 30.
Geo: B Raymond for Officers serving Subponas 1 Qr 1 August 270.37
[33] Richard Varick Rent for Court 1. 2. 3 Wards 1 Qr 1 August 60.
Wm Young " 4. 6 do " " 32.50
Wm M Whitaker " 7. 10. 13 Do " " 25.
J Aim " 9. 11. Do " " 25.
John M Bloodgood Superdt Streets Expences 1 Mo " 2294.15
J M Bloodgood Do 1 Qr Salary " 375.
Charles Dobbs Asst Do 1 Qr " " 250.
Ann Fleury rent for Engine House No 13 in Dover St 1 Year 1 July 1830..... 100.

Peter Van Pelt printing 1 Qr 1 August				558.
C. J Roosevelt making Books Tavren Licences for Alderman &c				100.
Morning Herald subscription 6 Mo 1 August				50.
Corns L Sidell Clerk issuing Tavren Licences 2 days				4.
Samuel Judd 24 Casks Oil				1561.20
George Pryer 20 Casks Oil				1227.79
R Provoost painting & repairing Lamps 1 Mo 1 August				68.22
G Snethen Lighting Lamps		"	"	1385.35
Layman & Co setting Lamps Posts &c 1 Qr		"	"	75.98
Christopher Wolfe Awd widening Wm st fm Maiden Lane to Pine St				8300.
Chistr Wolfe & H Panton & wife	Do	Do	Do	5691.
Tanneke Turk	Do	Do	Do	4931.
S Ver Plank	Do	Do	Do	3870.
Mathias Bruen	Do	Do	Do	2260.
J P Fisher Guardian of Miss Steel	Do	Do	Do	2072.
Estate of Jas Masterton	Do	Do	Do	1390.
Saml B Romaine	Do	Do	Do	1200.
Thos McCready	Do	Do	Do	1010.
[34] P Byrne Lessee of S B Romain	Do	Do	Do	800.
Peter Rose	Do	Do	Do	300.
Thomas Bussing	Do	Do	Do	100.
Devisees of David Aymar Awd widng Ann St fm Bdway to Nassau St				11.370.
Devisees of Ann White bal	Do	Do	Do	4767.
Etna Fire Ins Co	Do	Do	Do	1597.
Geo Lovett Awd openg McDougal St fm 6th to 8th St				330.09
Wm Lewis	Do	Do	.....	330.09
R Emmet Attys Costs &c openg 4 Avenue fm Bloomingdale Road to 28th St Abandoned				784.54
R Emmet Attys Costs &c openg 6th St fm Bdway to Bowery Abandoned				82.50
S Fargay Actt pavg 2d St fm Bowery to Avenue A				450.
R Pettigrew Actt reg & pavg Goerck St fm Delancy to Rivington St				400.
H Cochran reg & pavg Canal St fm Washington to West St & also West St fm Canal to Hoboken St front of Corporation property				1043.88
T Cummings repairs Intersections 9th Ward				40.89
R Pettigrew	Do	Do	.....	36.26
T Cummings filling Intersections 9th Avenue & 16th St				26.24
John Devlin repairs Intersections 9th Ward				8.49
H Cochran	Do	5th	"	7.50
R Pettigrew	Do	13th	"	7.09
Andrew Cotton	Do	5th	"	3.75
Mercantile Advertiser Advertising Pier at West & King St 6 weeks				17.48
Evening Post	Do		Do	18.75

Abm Storms builds Sewer at James Slip.....	214.94	
Abm Storms 1st payt builds addition to Pier James Slip....	783.33	
Abm Storms building addition to Pier Cath Slip.....	3360.	
[35] J McBarron for Well Morton St near Washington St	22.50	
J Pollock for gravelling 8th Avenue fm 21st St 2 Miles Northerly	1400.	
R Graves St Comr Actt McAdamising 3d Avenue.....	1000.	
R Graves St Comr Actt repairs Roads.....	500.	
R Graves Do for Contingents at Public Reservoir...	2000.	
Tibbits & Smith Iron work for Public Reservoir.....	960.21	
Samuel Richards Iron pipes for Do	146.98	
Mark Richards Iron work for Do	61.66	
New York Gas light Co for use of pattren in casting Tank for Do	50.	
Jacob P Roome Superdt Repairs for Fire Department.....	1450.	
J. P. Roome Do for Lamps	600.	
J. P. Roome Do for Docks & Slips.....	495.	
J. P. Roome Do for Markets	300.	
J. P. Roome Do for Pumps	200.	
J. P. Roome Do for Alms House	5000.	
S Fleming Treasr to pay Intert on City Stock 1 Qr 1 August	8750.	96.946.68
	Balance	$291.62

The Board then adjourned to this day fortnight a[t] 5 OClock P M.

[36] In Common Council September 6th 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistant
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
Anthony Lamb	Henry Arcularius
George D Strong	William Scott
William Seaman	Joseph W Beadel
Benjamin M Brown	John Rogers
James N Wells	Thomas Jeremiah
David Marsh	Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved

Upon reading the Accounts audited by the Comptroller when the Account of the sum of $5000, [37] for the Superintendent of the Alms House was read. Alderman Strong objected to the passing of

that item in the Comptrollers account and he presented a Resolution—The Mayor decided that according to the course of business Resolutions were not then in order Alderman Strong appealed from the decision of the Chair and was about to state his reasons for his appeal, when the Mayor decided that debate on an appeal from the Chair was out of order. Alderman Stevens appealed from that decision of the Chair—The Mayor declared that appeal out of order—The question was then taken on Alderman Strongs appeal—A Division was called by Alderman Strong—Alderman Mott Alderman Stevens & Mr Dibblee requested to be excused from voting, after some discussion their request was complied with, and the Division being called the Members voted as follows.

Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Lamb Seaman B M Brown Wells Marsh Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson Scott Beadel Rogers Cooper Lovett 18

Negative Ald I Brown Strong Mr Mandeville Arcularius Engs 5
So the decision of the Mayor was sustained.

[38] A Communication was received from Judge Wright on supplying the City with water. Which was read and referred to the Committees on Water & the Fire Department with authority to print.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Assessment for a Well & Pump in Grove street near Bleecker street together with the objections against the confirmation of the same presented the following Report in favor of the confirmation

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Assessment for a Well & Pump in Grove street near Bleecker street with the objections of William A Thompson against the confirmation of the same respectfully Report.

That the Committee have had two several Meetings, to both of which Mr Thompson was invited, and he not having appeared to state his objections, the Committee see no reason to delay the confirmation of the Assessment—They offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Assessment for a Well & Pump in Grove street near Bleecker street be and the same is hereby confirmed.

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
[39] Jona Seymour
W Scott
Thos Jeremiah

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of F A C Brichta to be relieved from an erroneous Tax presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of F. A. C. Brichta to be relieved from an erroneous Tax.

Respectfully Report.

That Mr Brichta appeared before the Committee and testified that he was Assessed for personal property on $1000, for the year 1829 in the 14th Ward whereas at the time the Tax was imposed he was Insolvent.

Mr Brichta further stated that when he was visited by the Assessors, that he stated he was worth nothing and did suppose that no Tax was imposed. And that having seen the Assessors, and being a foreigner unacquainted with the Laws, he was not aware of the fact of the Books being open for Inspection. The Committee believing him entitled to relief, as the Assessors have given a Certificate that the Tax is erroneous, offer the following Resolution.

[40] Resolved that the Tax on the personal *personal* property of F. A. C. Brichta in the 14th Ward on $1000, be and the same is hereby remitted.

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour
W Scott
Thomas Jeremiah

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Cumings for payment of Balances due him on Contracts for paving &c presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Cummings for the payment of the Balances due him on sundry contracts for work executed for the Corporation beg leave to Report

They have examined the accounts in the Street Commissioners Office in relation to the amounts applied for by the Pe[ti]tioner and find due and unpaid to him as follows: For paving Barrow street from Washington to West street a balance of $223,$^{99}/_{100}$.

[41] For paving West street from the late State prison to Hammond street $238.$^{3}/_{100}$

For paving Commerce & Barrow streets from Hudson to Bedford Street $196,17/100.

For paving Hammond street from Washington to West street $213,73/100.

For paving the 6th Avenue from 6th to 13th Street $1672,53/100.

For regulating the 6th Avenue from 13th to 21st Street $441,11/100.

And for regulating 19th and 20th Streets from the 6th to the 8th Avenue $200,53/100.

The whole of the preceding contracts were executed by the Petitioner, during the past year, the assessments, all confirmed, and returns of delinquents according to Law made some time since, and the property, on which the Assessments remain unpaid are now advertised, by order of the Common Council to collect the same—Your Committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the Petitioner is reasonable, and ought to be granted, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller draw Warrants in favor of Thomas Cummings the Petitioner in conformity with the above statement.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
[42] G Lee
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John C Babcock & others to purchase a Gore of Land formerly part of Ann street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John C Babcock and others praying for the purchase of a Gore of land formerly part of Ann street Report.

That the said piece of Land became the property of the Corporation by the late proceedings for widening and improving Ann street between Nassau street and Broadway at the estimated value of Eighty eight dollars, and that the Petitioners are the owners of the adjoining Land and require the said Gore to give them a front upon Ann street. The Committee therefore recommend that the Prayer of the said Petition be granted and the[y] offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Counsel prepare a Deed for the said Gore to John C Babcock and Mary E Morris, on their paying therefor the

said [43] sum of $88, together with the expences of the Deed And that the same be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the Proprietors of Steam Boats President, Benjamin Franklin, and Chancellor Livingston for right of Slip foot of Courtlandt street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of the New York and Boston Steam Boat Company (proprietors of the Steam Boats President and Benjamin Franklin) and of John Voorhees and Robert Schuyler (proprietors of the Steam Boat Chancellor Livingston) praying that the slip at the foot of Courtlandt and Liberty streets between Piers Nos 14 & 15 North River with the appurtenances may be exclusively assigned to the use of the said Steam Boats, and such others as they may wish to accommodate in the said Slip—Report.

That the Petitioners are the Lessees for [44] One year from the 1st of May last of the said Slip with its privileges and appurtenances from the owner thereof who has consented in writing to the prayer of the said Petition, and the present application is that the Corporation may exercise the power vested in them by an Act of the Legislature passed at the last Session, by designating the Wharves and piers of the said Slip for the exclusive use of such Steam Boats as the parties so interested may desire to be accommodated therein, for which purpose an Ordinance must be passed in Common Council.

The Committee see no objection to granting the said application and they have accordingly directed the annexed ordinance to be prepared which they submit with the following Resolution.

Resolved that the prayer of the said Petition be granted and that the annexed Ordinance be passed for that purpose

William W Mott
Peter J Nevius
B M Brown

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and the Ordinance passed under the Title of "A Law to designate and appropriate cer-

tain private Wharves and Piers for the exclusive use of Steam Boats"

[45] The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Shillabar to establish a Ferry at the foot of Warren street to Bulls Ferry presented a Report in favor of the same which was Laid for consideration and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Committee on Applications for Office for the appointment of a City Guager in the place of J Benjamin deceased presented a Report in favor of appointing Horace Bates.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom were referred the Petitions for the Office of City Guager in the place of J Benjamin Deceased.

Respectfully Report

That they have had the various Petitions under consideration and after due deliberation recommend the appointment of Mr Horace Bates for said Office.

And accordingly recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that Horace Bates be and he is hereby appointed a City Guager in the place of J Benjamin Deceased

Respectfully submitted

B. J. Meserole
Peter J Nevius
John Lovett

Which was approved the Resolution adopted and Horace Bates was accordingly declared duly appointed.

[46] The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of placing a Well & Pump on Forsyth street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 11th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the subject of building a Well in Forsyth street between Rivington and Stanton streets.

Respectfully Report

That a Well and Pump in their opinion is much required at that place, and accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Forsyth street between Rivington street and Stanton street

David Marsh
R Graves
Fyler Dibblee

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 11th Ward and the City Inspector to whom was referred the Petition of Inhabitants at Burnt Mill point to be relieved from a Nuisance presented the following Report.

The Alderman and Assistant of the Eleventh Ward and the City Inspector to whom [47] were referred the Petition of sundry Inhabitants at Burnt Mill Point praying to be relieved from a nuisance occasioned by dumping the Butchers Offal at that place Respectfully Report.

That in the opinion of your Committee the evil complained of is one which calls for redress.

Owing to the occupation of the Wharves on the East river southerly of Thirteenth street the Butchers Carts from the numerous Stalls located in the Eastern section of the City avail themselves of this Street as the first opening to the Water—at the intersection of the East River and this Street which is not extended out to the Channel, but is formed by a bulk head along the Southerly side of a Bay, the greater part of the Butchers Offal of this City is cast into the water, which along this Bulkhead is neither sufficiently deep or rapid to remove the offensive deposit, but it remains more or less exposed to the Sun and Air.

Your Committee are aware that the Corporation Law directs under a penalty that all such offal shall be dumped into the stream, but they beg leave to remark that all Laws to be salutary must be reasonable, and they respectfully state that in their opinion the growing population of this City, and the consequent increase of the evil complained of, as well as the reasonable claims of the Butchers to be provided with a convenient place in order that they may be enabled on their part to [48] comply with the Law, seem to require that a suitable provision should be made by the Common Council. With this view your Committee after personal examination recommend as a proper location the dock at the foot of Twenty third street on the East River. This Dock is extended into the Stream to the Boundary Line of the City namely Tompkins street, it is not otherwise occu-

pied, is situated above the Shoal water of the Bay and somewhat remote from population.

From this Dock your Committee recommend that a Bridge Wharf or Pier be built on Piles extending Twenty feet over the Water in order that Persons emptying their Carts may be enabled to dump into the Stream which is at this place both deep and strong.

The expence of a Pier or Wharf as above mentioned according to estimates made for Your Committee will not exceed Four hundred and fifty Dollars, they therefore ask leave to offer the following Resolution for the adoption of the Common Council.

Resolved that the sum of Four hundred and Fifty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting a suitable Bridge or Pier on Piles at the foot of Twenty third street East River from which the Butchers Offal &c may be conveniently dumped into the Stream

David Marsh
[49] Fyler Dibblee
Isaac Warren

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

A Communication was received from the Police Magistrates requesting suitable apartments in the Old Alms House may be fitted up for a Police Department, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices & Repairs.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the subject of Repairs and alterations at foot of Barclay street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the subject of the repairs and alterations at the Intersection of Barclay and West streets, that they deliberately and carefully examined the premises previous to giving directions to have the necessary repairs made, and were decidedly of the opinion that the only efficient method to remedy the evil, was the one which has been adopted, and they gave directions accordingly, and which has been done to the entire satisfaction of the Public, and with regard to the strictest Economy as to the expence, The fixtures made by the Messrs Stevens at the Hoboken Ferry (and which in the opinion of the Committee) has been done with [50] great Judgment and much to the public Accommodation, but which at the same time rendered it necessary to convey the water of Barclay street across West street by means of covered Sewers as there was not sufficient elevation to convey the water on the surface to the river unless by deep gutters rendering it not only inconvenient, but

extremely dangerous to carriages with passengers to and from the Ferry.

Your Committee deem the foregoing explanation sufficient to justify them in the course they have pursued in making the improvement at the foot of Barclay street—They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller issue a Warrant for Two hundred and Ninety five Dollars and thirty two Cents for the payment of the repairs and improvements at the intersection of Barclay and West streets.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

A Communication from Joshua Taylor prefering charges against James Gilbert Clerk of [51] Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

An Invitation was received from H Marsh Lessee of Castle Garden to witness the ascension of Mr Durant in a Balloon from the Garden on the 9th Inst was read, A Motion was made to lay the same on the table which was negatived. The question was then taken on Accepting the Invitation and a Division being called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Lamb Strong Seaman B M Brown Marsh Lee Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson Arcularius Scott Rogers Jeremiah Cooper Lovett 18

In the Negative Ald Nevius Stevens I Brown Palmer Mr Mandeville Beadle Dibblee Engs 8

So the Invitation was accepted & directed to be filed

[52] An application was received from the New York Horticultural Society for the Loan of Ornaments for their Dinner and Annual Ball was read and granted.

A Petition of Richard Wilcox relative to the New York Gas Company and also of lighting the City with Gas was read and laid on the Table.

The Mayor announced that Cornelius J Roosa withdrew his application for the Office of Assistant Clerk of the Police Office.

A Petition of Alfred Board for the Office of City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of W^m C Rhinelander & others to have William street re-paved between Duane and Frankfort streets was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of owners of Property in Spruce street to have the same widened was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[53] A Petition of the Inhabitants of Clinton and Attorney streets between Stanton and North street to have certain Lots fenced in was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of S Andrews & others to have Side walks in North, Second and Cannon streets paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Reynolds & others to have Side walks in Clinton between North and Stanton streets paved, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Hageman & others praying that part of Avenue B lying between North & Second streets may be paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Abraham Pierce praying that the Assessment on his property in 5^th Street near Avenue B may be postponed was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Peter Smith for Balance due him on Contract for regulating Avenue C and also for regulating and paving West street was read and [54] referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Preserved Fish & others to have the present Catharine Market removed and a New Market erected between Catharine & Market streets fronting on South street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Edward Price that he may be compensated for the loss of ground in consequence of an Error in the location of the lines of Madison street or that the error may be corrected was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Richard Clark stating that he has invented an Apparatus for emptying Vaults &c and praying to have said apparatus examined by a Committee was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of William McGarvin for permission to place a transparent Sign of his Collection of Paintings in the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places with powers.

[55] A Petition of owners of Property on the new part of Ann

street to have the side walks widened to Eleven feet was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Isaac Pierson & others to have the repaving of Whitehall Street recorded agreeably to an Ordinance of the Common Council passed in 1824 was read and referred to the Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Edmund Smith & others to have the East side of Coenties Slip between South & Front street repaved, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Robert Tier for Stall N° 6 Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of E Weeks & others to have Eighth street filled in and regulated from Avenue D to Lewis street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Fire Engine C° N° 44 to have an Alarm Bell removed from Manhattan Market and erected on said Engine House was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[56] A Petition of Augustus Leclere & others to have vacant Lots on Barrow corner of Commerce street fenced in was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of Thomas Mildeberger & others to have side walks in Christopher street paved between Greenwich Lane and the North River was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of John R Peters and others Committee of Northern Dispensary for aid to erect a Building for a Dispensary was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Patrick Lamb to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of David Theal & others for a Well & Pump at the corner of Broome & Willet streets, was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward & Street Commissioner

A Petition of the Long Island farmers & others to have an additional Steam boat on the Williamsburgh Ferry, Also a similar Petition [57] from a number of Inhabitants of Williamsburgh were read and referred to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Seth Hill to be appointed a City Measurer was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Silas Ludlum to be appointed a City Surveyor was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Jacob Acker praying that the Official conduct of John Van Kleeck & Arnout Brown Inspectors of Fire Wood may be enquired into was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of Nicholas Ryerson for Stall N° 8 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James Shaw, Sheriff of the City & County for permission to sell the Stall in Franklin Market belonging to the Heirs of the late Peter Crawbuck, to satisfy an execution against the said Crawbuck was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[58] A Petition of John R Peters & others to have a Market built between Weehawken & West streets, was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Samuel White for permission to transfer Stall N° 8 Essex Market to James Reeves was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of the American Hydraulic Company offering for Sale to the Corporation their Patent Rotative Engines was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of William H Hawes for Stall N° 7 Washington Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of John Robinson & others to have Elizabeth street paved from Walker to Hester street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Akerly and others to have a Public Slip or Basin at the foot of Jefferson street was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips and the Finance Committee.

[59] A Remonstrance of sundry persons against widening Lombardy street was read and laid on the Table, afterward called up and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Measurers of Charcoal for an alteration in the Law relative thereto was read and referred to the Police Committee.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were accepted and the appointments made

Fire Engine C°

N° 7

Jonathan Marshall—House Painter 73 Thompson S^t^

V^c^ S Van Dyne Time Expired

N° 9

Edmund B Hart	Ichabod Williams	Resigned.
Archibald Reed	John D Smith	
Samuel Riddell	A W Hardie	
George Robertson	William Dobson	
Edward W Hardie	William Webber	
Isaac Cogswell	George Dawson	
Calab F Lindsley	Joseph R Young	

N° 25.

John Welch—Confectioner 45 Catherine S^t—To fill Company

[60] N° 29.

Samuel C Neilson—Silversmith Greenwich & Leroy
V^c Robert Fenton Resigned

N° 34

Nathaniel Lewis Baker, Bleecker S^t
V^c James Beckwith Expelled

George Washington Hammond—Carpenter Greenwich near Charles S^t To fill the Company

N° 46

Isaac Bloom—Grocer Cor 28^th S^t & 3^d Avenue To fill the Company

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 1

Israel W Lobb—Cabinet Maker Eldridge S^t
Henry B Greenwood—Grocer Cor Rose & Pearl S^t
Ichabod Williams—Cabinet Maker Broad S^t
} To fill the Company

N° 2

Timothy Cornwell 120 Harman S^t Chair Maker
To fill the Company

N° 3

Aaron O Price— Mason 324 Bowery
V^c Samuel Winant—Time Expired

[61] The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz^t

No 1.	Samuel Lawrence	Owner	E side Greenwich St	Lots
2.	John Cowman	"	between 16th & 18th Streets	Do
3.	Robert Tillotson	"	S side Henry St	Do
4.	Docr E N Bibby	"	W side Governeur St	Do

Isaac Warren City Inspecr

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in sunken Lots between Bloomingdale Road & 6th Avenue and between Burlings Lane and 18th Street at the public expence, and that a Lien on the premises be taken for such expence, Which was read and passed.

The Attorney presented the following Report relative to the suit against Patrick McPake for violating the Ordinance by incumbering the Streets.

The Attorney to the Corporation respectfully Reports that in June 1829 a certiorare was brought to reverse a judgment recovered by the Corporation against Patrick McPake for violating the Ordinance imposing a penalty for incumbering the Streets.

That in the month of June last the Superior [62] Court reversed said Judgment. The Costs have been taxed at $83,67/100 for which amount said Patrick is entitled to judgment.

The following Resolution is suggested for Adoption.

Resolved that the Comptroller issue a Warrant for the sum of Eighty three dollars & sixty seven Cents in favor of Jacob Wyckoff to be applied to the payment of the Costs above mentioned

Jacob Wyckoff
Attorney to the Corporation.

Which was read and referred to the Law Committee to audit the Account if deemed Correct.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Returns of Delinquents for the Collection of sundry Assessments—Whereupon Warrants were ordered to issue to the Collectors thereof.

On an Assessment for paving Goerck street between Delancy & Rivington street—Also for paving Side walks of Houstoun street between Mott & Elizabeth street—Warrants were ordered to issue to John Hanmer the Collector thereof.

On an Assessment for Public Cisterns in Bleecker street near Broadway—Also for Public Cisterns in Duane street—Warrants ordered to [63] Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Vizt

For paving the Side walks of 6th Street between McDougal & Christopher street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Side walks in Crosby street between Houston and Bleecker streets, and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating 6th Street from the 1st Avenue to Avenue A and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Side walks in Crosby street between Prince and Houston streets and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For repaving Mulberry street from near Cross street to Walker street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For regulating 18th Street from the 8th to the 9th Avenue and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

[64] For regulating 19th Street from the 8th to the 9th Avenue and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

Alderman Stevens agreeably to notice given at the last meeting moved that the Board now reconsider the Vote given on the Report of the Joint Committees of Public Offices and of Jail and Bridewell—After considerable discussion the question was taken will the Board reconsider their vote of last Meeting on said Report, a Division having been called by Alderman Stevens the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Stevens I. Brown Lamb Strong Marsh Palmer Mr Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Dibblee Engs 14

In the Negative Ald Seaman B M Brown Wells Lee Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Bryson Scott Beadel Rogers Jeremiah Cooper Lovett 13

[65] The votes standing 14 in the Affirmative and 13 in the Negative—The Mayor directed his Vote to be recorded in the Negative, there being therefore an equality of Votes, the motion to reconsider was not carried but was lost, as nothing was taken by the Motion.

The Committee on Lands & Places presented the following Report recommending the removal of Oyster stands &c from Around the Park &c.

The Committee on Lands and Places respectfully submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner cause all the Oyster stands, booths and other incumbrances which now are or hereafter may be placed around the Park or Battery to be removed without delay.

James N Wells
James I Roosevelt Jr
William Mandeville
Peter Cooper

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 10th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump near the intersection of Allen and Walker streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 10th [66] Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump to be placed near the intersection of Allen and Walker streets Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the request of the Petition ought to be granted, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein near the Intersection of Allen and Walker streets.

B J Meserole
Thos Jeremiah
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Assistant Clerk in the Police Office presented the following Report in favor of appointing Elias Hicks.

The Committee on Applications for Office Respectfully Report

That they have duly considered the qualifications of the several applicants for Assistant Police Clerk, and from the best information they have been enabled to obtain are of opinion that Elias Hicks is a person well qualified to discharge the [67] duties of that important Office, And accordingly beg leave to offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Board.

Resolved that Elias Hicks be and he hereby is appointed Assistant Police Clerk.

Peter J Nevius
John Lovett

Whereupon on Motion the Board proceeded to Ballot and the President upon counting the Ballots declared Elias Hicks duly elected, he having a Majority of the Votes.

The Committee on cleaning Streets presented the following Report on the situation of the Department of the Superintendent of Streets and recommending the abolishing the Office of Assistant Superintendent of Streets.

The Committee on Cleaning Streets beg leave to Report

That after a variety of ineffectual attempts to obtain a settlement of the Accounts of the Deputy Superintendent of Streets, from the

1st February to the 31st December 1829 they have finally succeeded through the aid of Mr Waters whose assistance your Committee were compelled to require from the very irregular situation in which the accounts were found.

By an exhibit made from documents [68] furnished by the Deputy Superintendent (which is attached to this Report and to which reference may be had for particulars) the Deputy Superintendent appears indebted to the Corporation Three thousand two hundred and twenty dollars forty six cents, for which sum the Committee have received Fifteen hundred dollars in Cash, and his Bond at Six months for the balance One thousand seven hundred and twenty Dollars forty six Cents in order to effect a settlement.

Your Committee regret the necessity to state, that the Office of the Superintendent has been forcibly entered the desk broken open, and three hundred and fifty three dollars twenty four Cents of the public money abstracted therefrom: and your Committee cannot refrain from stating, that in their opinion sufficient prudence has not been exercised by the Officers in this department inasmuch as your Committee directed them more than Six months since, to procure an Iron chest or safe, for the preservation of the Books and papers of this Office.

It appears very evident to your Committee that there is not that promptness in Collecting the moneys due to this Office, which a due regard to the public interest renders desirable, and which strict attention might produce, and as evidence [69] of this opinion, there is now due to this department Nineteen hundred and eighty five dollars forty cents, for manure sold and delivered more than eight months.

From the most deliberate and attentive consideration bestowed on this subject, and the difficulties that exist your Committee would suggest the propriety of placing the whole responsibility of the department on the Superintendent of Streets, and that he be held liable for all the transactions of his Office, subject to the controul of the Committee, to whom monthly returns should be made, and that the Office of Deputy Superintendent be vacated. And it is also further recommended, that each of the Inspectors of Manure shall under oath render monthly returns of all the Manure delivered or Inspected by them to the Comptroller containing the number of the Certificate, number of Loads, name of the Captain and Vessel, or place where delivered.

Your Committee are of opinion that if this plan is adopted and also monthly returns from the Superintendent, of the condition of the horses, carts, and all the Articles under his controul and use, a considerable saving would result by this arrangement to the public.

They therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the above Report be adopted, and the suggestions embraced therein be carried into immediate effect.

[70] William Mandeville
Isaac Brown
James Palmer
Jonathan Seymour
George D Strong

Statement

Of Charles Dobbs accounts with the Department for cleaning Streets of the City for the period of eleven months viz[t] February 1[st] to December 31[st] 1829, from documents furnished by himself, by which he appears to have received

For Manure	20.875.25
Extra paid for Manure	179.05
Wagon & Harness sold	65.
Manure and removing refuse	54.34
Cash from J M Bloodgood	3.400.00
	$24.573.64
Paid during the same period on Account of the Department	21.353.18
Errors Excepted — Balance due	$3.220.46

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted. The Report and Account accompanying were directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the subject of removing the Hay Market to [71] the rear of Tompkins Market presented the following Report in favor of the same together with an Ordinance.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Resolution to remove the Hay Market to the public ground in the rear of Tompkins Market

Respectfully Report.

That in the opinion of your Committee the place as now designated by Law viz[t] Third street between the Bowery and Second Avenue, is not only very inconvenient to the vender of Hay, but creates a very great nuisance in the front of the Dwellings of the Citizens who reside on that street, that the proposed location is an open space free from

those objections and in the opinion of your Committee ought to be adopted.

They accordingly offer the following Ordinance for the consideration of the Common Council.

"A Law to amend the Law to prescribe a place in this City for the sale of Hay and Straw in Wagons"

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened, that so much of the Law to prescribe a place in this City for the sale of Hay & Straw in wagons be so amended as that the place so assigned be Hall street between Sixth and Seventh streets and that all the provisions of the Law hereby amended inconsistent with the provisions of this Law be and the same are hereby repealed.

[72] Benjamin M Brown
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman
David Marsh

Whereupon the Report was approved and the Ordinance passed.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Simon Fleet for increase of Salary as Clerk of Centre Market presented the following in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Simon Fleet for an increase of Salary as Clerk of Centre Market

Respectfully Report

That *from* the increase of business at the above Market, and the time necessarily devoted to the same, prevents the Clerk from attending to any other business, and in the opinion of your Committee the sum of One dollar per day, which he now receives is not a sufficient compensation for him, they therefore offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Salary of the Clerk of Centre Market be One dollar & twenty five cents per day to commence on the first Instant

Benjamin M Brown
[73] Jona Seymour
W Seaman
David Marsh

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Reeves Sen[r] for permission to transfer Stall N° 19 Clinton Market to

William James Pell presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of James Reeves Sen[r] for permission to transfer his Stall N° 19 Clinton Market to William James Pell

Respectfully Report

That the said Petition is accompanied with the usual transfer and that M[r] Pell is recommended as a suitable person to have a Butchers Licence for the same. They offer for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted to William James Pell for Stall N° 19 Clinton Market.

Benjamin M Brown
Jon[a] Seymour
W Seaman
David Marsh

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[74] The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Moses Coddington & others to have the Engine House removed from foot of Duane street and the ground enclosed with a pale fence presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Moses Coddington and sundry others to have the Engine House at the foot of Duane street removed and the square enclosed with a pale fence.

Respectfully Report.

That they have had a proportion of the petitioners before your Committee and have heard their several statements and your Committee are of the opinion that it is very important for the protection of a large amount of property in that section of the City, that the Engine should be retained on the square, and in the opinion of your Committee, there can be no objections to enclose the same with a neat pale fence which can be done at about the same expence as paving it, they would further state that the Engine House is very old and decayed— They offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Superintendent of [75] Repairs under the direction of the Committee on the Fire Department have a Fire Engine

House built on the above square and also have the said square enclosed with a Pale fence.

Benjamin M Brown
P. W Engs
James Palmer
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted Mr Roosevelt gave notice of reconsideration at the next meeting of the Board.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of correcting the Register of Firemen presented the following Report.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Resolution of Alderman B M Brown respecting, the Register of Firemen kept in the Office of the Clerk of the Common Council

Respectfully Report.

That on an examination of the Register with the return made by the Chief Engineer, it is found that there is now on the said register Five hundred & twenty three names of persons who are not now Firemen, and as it is desirable that the said [76] Register should be corrected agreeable to the late return of the Chief Engineer, they offer the following for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be requested to mark opposite the names of the Persons on the Register kept by him who are not now Firemen, agreeably to the annexed list ("marked off by order of the Common Council 6th September 1830"

Resolved that the Clerk of the Common Council be requested to prepare a new Register agreeable to the return of the Chief Engineer.

Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
P. W Engs
William Scott
Samuel Stevens
John Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of Barrow street paved between Bleecker street and Macdougal streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was [77] referred the Petition to have the side walks of Barrow street paved between Bleecker street and Macdougal street respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the walks of that street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Barrow street be paved from Bleecker street to Macdougal street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Side walks of Fourth street paved from Broadway to the Bowery presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition to have the Side walks of Fourth street paved from Broadway to the Bowery that in their opinion the walks of that street ought to be paved, And accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of [78] Fourth street be paved from Broadway to the Bowery.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett.

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Side walks of Houston street paved between Broadway and Mott street, and of Mulberry street between Houston & Bleecker street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition to have the side walks of Houston street paved between Broadway and Mott street and of Mulberry street between Houston and Bleecker streets, that in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted and accordingly submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the Side walks of Houston street be paved from Broadway to Mott Street.

Resolved that the side walks of Mulberry street be paved from Houston street [79] to Bleecker street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Counsel of the Board relative to the Confirmation by the Supreme Court of the Report of the Commissioners for extending Asylum street, and also the Tenth Avenue presented the following Report.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Report of the Counsel to the Board that the Supreme Court had confirmed the Report of the Commissioners for extending Asylum street from Christopher street to the Sixth Avenue and of the Tenth Avenue from 14th to 28th Street and that it remains for the Board to determine when the said Street and Avenue shall be opened

On which your Committee respectfully Report that in their opinion the opening of the aforesaid street and Avenue ought to be opened without delay and accordingly submit the following Resolutions.

Resolved that the extending of Asylum from Christopher street to the Sixth Avenue be carried [80] into effect from and after the first day of October next and that the buildings and obstructions be removed therefrom on or before the first day of November next following

Resolved that the Tenth Avenue be opened by removing the buildings and obstructions therefrom between the 14th and 28th Streets from and after the first day of April next and that the incumbrances be removed therefrom within thirty days thereafter.

Thomas T Woodruff
Jn° Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of repaving Elizabeth street from Walker to Hester street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition for

re-paving Elizabeth street from Walker street to Hester street, that in their opinion the Carriage way of that Street ought to be paved without delay inasmuch as that from the widening and re-laying the Side walks of [81] that Street it becomes necessary to repave the Carriage way it being broken and irregular, and cannot be repaired in its present state—Your Committee would therefore recommend that an Ordinance be passed, in Order that the Carriage way may be paved while the side walks are widening, and thereby save the additional expence of another Assessment for the same section of that street and also to prevent the keeping the Street incumbered an unnecessary length of time—They accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that Elizabeth street be re-paved from Walker street to Hester street, and that an Ordinance be passed therefor forthwith.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
George D Strong
John Rogers
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Lombardy street widened and improved between Catharine street and Jefferson street presented a Report in favor of the same which was read and Laid on the Table.

[82] The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Lewis street paved from 3^{d} Street to 4th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Lewis Street paved from 3^{d} Street to 4th Street respectfully Report That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Lewis street be paved from Third street to and including the intersection of Fourth street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Batavia street re-paved from Roosevelt Street to James Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Batavia street re-paved from Roosevelt street to James street

[83] Respectfully Report

That in their opinion that Street ought to be repaved and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved Battavia street be repaved from Roosevelt street to James street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
George D Strong
William Scott
John Lovett

Which was Approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in Crosby street and Houston street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the annexed Petition for a Well & Pump in Crosby street near Houston street respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is necessary at that place and accordingly submit the following resolution—Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump placed therein in Crosby street near Houston street.

James N Wells
John Rogers
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[84] The Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in 14th Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well and Pump in 14th Street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much required in that Street and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug & built and a Pump placed therein in Fourteenth street near the Sixth Avenue.

James N Wells
John Rogers
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

Mr Arcularius presented the following Resolutions [which] where Adopted.

Resolved that Hoboken street be paved between Washington and West streets.

Resolved that the foregoing Resolution be referred to the Street Committee with power to have the same carried into effect at a sum not exceeding One hundred Dollars to this Corporation.

[85] Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs.

Resolved that the Court of General Sessions be hereafter held in the large Room in the City Hall heretofore appropriated to that Court, and that provision be made for the Superior Court in some vacant Room in the City Hall.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and Adopted.

Resolved that in conformity with the 18th Section of the New Charter of the City, no expenditure which has not previously been appropriated for the object to which the same is to be applied, will be paid out of the Funds, which now are, or may be hereafter in the City Treasury.

Upon recommendation of the Street Commissioner John Hanmer was appointed Collector of the Assessment for opening 11th Street between Broadway and Greenwich Lane and for Opening Assylum street from Christopher street to 6th Avenue & Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector of the Assessment for opening 5th Avenue from 13th to 21st Street, & for opening the 10th Avenue from 14th to 28th Street.

[86] Mr Roosevelt presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs.

Resolved that the Committee on Repairs cause the Basement of the City Hall to be painted and covered with pulverized Marble.

Mr Engs presented the following which was referred to the Market Committee

Resolved that the Market Committee be requested to Report to this

Board whether in their opinion the present Rate of Market fees should not be reduced.

Whether the present Laws against fore-stalling are sufficient, and if so why not enforced.

And whether a system of disposing of Butchers Stalls, in such manner that persons of good character who have served a regular apprenticeship in this City can obtain them without purchasing, should not be adopted.

Alderman Lee presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Law Committee

Whereas a Book of "General Orders" is indispensible to correct and judicious Legislation [87] therefore Resolved that the Clerk prepare such Book, recording briefly the titles of all the Reports and Ordinances, which may have been laid on the Table, and that the whole be read at each Meeting of the Board immediately after the reading Reports of Standing Committees.

Alderman Seaman presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant for five hundred and fifty Dollars in favor of Abraham B Martling Keeper of the City Hall at the next meeting or the Board for the purpose of purchasing Coal for the use of the Offices in said Hall.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For a Well & Pump in 14[th] Street near 6[th] Avenue and John Lockwood, Alpheus Sherman and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in Crosby street near Houston street and Abraham Dally, Samuel Purdy and Peter Ogilvie were appointed Assessors.

[88] For paving Delancy street between Goerck street and the Bulk head & Abraham Dally Samuel Purdy & Peter Ogilvie were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Cherry street from Rutgers to Clinton street and Abraham Bloodgood, Cornelius J Roosevelt & Pine Hopkins were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Eldridge street from Division to Hester street and John Leonard Alpheus Sherman & Cornelius Harsen appointed Assessors

For repaving Batavia street and John Harris, Jedediah B Leister and John Slidell appointed Assessors.

For paving Lewis street between 3d & 4th Streets and John Lozier Abm Baudoine and Jacob S Baker appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in Forsyth street between Rivington & Stanton streets and David Lyon David Marsh Jr & Charles Dusenbury appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump near the Intersection of Allen and Walker streets and Gideon Tucker Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cotts appointed Assessors.

[89] For repaving Elizabeth street from Walker to Hester street and John Targee, Abraham Quick & Reuben Munson appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Houston and Mulberry streets and John Targee Abraham Quick & Reuben Munson were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Barrow street and Shivers Parker, Thomas R Smith, & Samuel Gilford were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Fourth street and Gideon Tucker, Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors.

Alderman Palmer presented a Resolution that no Public Dinners be given at the City Hall or Alms House without the order of the Corporation. It was moved to amend it by adding after the word Alms House "or elsewhere" which was agreed to, but before the question was taken on the Resolution as amended A motion was made to Adjourn and Carried.

[90] The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account.

Balance as per Actt 23d August	291.62
Recd for Rents	5923.86
" " Streets	3814.13
" " Tax of 1829	1629.16
" " Street Manure	1500.
" " Tax of 1826	500.
" " Police Office fees	1078.65
" " Justices Courts	497.14
" " Superior Court fees	328.50
" " Arrears of Tax	215.34
" " Commutation Quaker fines Militia	178.40
" " Clerk of Sessions fees	155.22
" " Docks & Slips	22.50
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 23d August on Actt	8700.
	$24.834.52

60 Accounts audited & directed to be paid.

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Astin & Field " 2d "	994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.

D Hageman Superdt Wharves 1 Qr Salary 5 Sept.....						150.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall				1 Mo	1 Inst	77.50
C Myers Keeper Pottersfield				"	"	69.75
O Ayres Asst City Inspector				"	"	58.50
J Coffin	Do			"	"	58.50
[91] Thos Asten St Inspectr		1st	Ward	"	"	46.50
T Woolcocks	Do	2d	"	"	"	46.50
J B Ebbetts	Do	3d	"	"	"	46.50
N B Lyon	Do	4th	"	"	"	46.50
I. A Isaacs	Do	5th	"	"	"	46.50
A Morris	Do	6th	"	"	"	46.50
F Gantz	Do	7th	"	"	"	46.50
Wm G Babb	Do	8th	"	"	"	46.50
H B Roome	Do	9th	"	"	"	46.50
T Austin	Do	10th	"	"	"	46.50
A Hatfield	Do	11th	"	2 Mo	"	93.
E Kingsland	Do	12th	"	1 Mo	"	46.50
D Hubbard	Do	13th	"	"	"	46.50
P. Field	Do	14th	"	"	"	46.50
J. Coffin Asst City Inspectr removg Nuisances				"	"	122.44
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health				"	"	52.
A Parker	Do			"	"	52.
Geo Duryea Clerk Fulton Market				"	"	87.86
L Baum	"	Washington		"	"	82.17
J Bremner	"	Catharine		"	"	62.
J Martine	"	Tompkins		2 Mo	"	62.
J Gilbert	"	Clinton & Greenwich		1 Mo	"	59.
J M Devoy	"	3 Markets		"	"	58.50
S Fleet	"	Centre		"	"	49.
R Smith	"	Franklin		"	"	38.75
J Seaman	"	Manhattan		"	"	31.
[92] Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 5 Septr....						141.63
Geo B Thorp Keeper City Prison & 2 Depts 1 Qr. Salary 1 Sept						500.
J Hays for Officers extra service Police 1 Qur 26 August..						628.25
J Hays for Do conveyg persons to City Prison 1 Qr 1 August						453.50
Administrator of Jacob Townsend Decd late Asst Clerk Police 12 May to 25 July.....						162.22
Ryder Cummings & Mott Sunday service 12th Ward 13 days each 26th July.....						58.50
Ogden Hoffman Dist Attorney 1 Qr Salary 25 August.....						750.
D. T. Valentine Marshal Marine Court 1 Mo 1 Sept.....						32.50
Office of American Subscription 6 Mo 26 August.....						50.
G Snethen lighting Lamps 1 Mo 1 Septr.....						1421.86
R Provoost painting &c Gas Lamps 2 Mo & Lamps 1 Mo 1 Septr						108.85
J Dunn & Sons making & repairg Gas Lamps 1 Jany to 6 April						94.62

New York Gas light Co supply of Gas & fixtures 1 Year 4 July 1830	1895.31	
M Tally Actt reg & pavg Weehawken St fm Christopher to Charles St	300.	
Abm Storms extra work Catharine Slip front of Market	1374.59	
Abm Storms 2d payt building Pier James Slip	783.33	
Abm Storms extra work to bulkhead at James Slip	508.97	
Abm Storms bal builds Bulkhead at James Slip	448.96	
J Gallagher Junr bal on Well 17th St near 8th Avenue	15.	
R Graves St Comr Actt McAdamising 3d Avenue	1000.	
R Graves do Actt expences Lands & Places	500.	
West Point Association Actt of Steam Engine Public Reservoir	3000.	
Mark Richards sundry Iron Articles for Reservoir	105.58	
Jas M Oakley sunday service 7th Ward 17 day to 1 August.	25.50	
A Burtis Super Alms House for Alms House	5000.	24,826.10
	Balance	$8.42

Board adjourned to Monday 20th Inst at 5 OClock

[93] In Common Council September 20. 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Jr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
Anthony Lamb	Henry Arcularius
George D Strong	William Scott
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Cooper
James Palmer	John Lovett
Thomas T Woodruff	Philip W Engs

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Approved.

After reading the Cash Account of the Comptroller, with the accounts Audited, the Mayor put the following Question, Shall an appropriation be made, and shall Warrants issue for the payment [94] of the said Accounts. Alderman Seaman rose in his place and stated that in his opinion, no Warrants could issue for payment of these accounts, while the Resolution proposed by Alderman Strong, and passed at the last meeting of the Board continued in force, and he

moved that the said Resolution be rescinded—The reading of the Resolution was called for, and it was read in the following words.

"Resolved that in conformity with the 18th Section of the New "Charter of the City, no expenditure which has not previously been "appropriated for the object to which the same is to be applied shall "be paid out of the Funds, which now are or may be hereafter in "the City Treasury."

Considerable discussion arose and on the question of agreeing to the Motion of Alderman Seaman to rescind the said Resolution it was carried in the Affirmative the Members voting as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Lamb Seaman B M Brown [95] Wells Meserole Woodruff Mr Roosevelt Seymour Bryson Scott Rogers Jeremiah Cooper Lovett 17

In the Negative Ald Stevens I Brown Strong Palmer Mr Mandeville Arcularius Dibblee Engs 8

The Mayor then put the Question shall the appropriation be made for payment of the Accounts mentioned in the Comptrollers Cash Account, which was carried in the Affirmative—He then put the Question, shall Warrants issue for payment of said Accounts which was also carried in the Affirmative—see Cash Account page 129

The Resolution proposed by Alderman Palmer at the last Meeting of the Board, and as amended was read in the words following.

"Resolved that no Public Dinners be hereafter given at the Alms House, or elsewhere or Suppers unless ordered by the Common Council.

Debate arose thereon and after some time the Previous question was called, the Mayor put the [96] question, shall the main question be now put, which was agreed to—The question was then taken on adopting the Resolution and a Division being called by Mr Engs the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Ald Nevius Stevens I Brown Lamb Strong Seaman B M Brown Meserole Palmer Mr Roosevelt Mandeville Arcularius Scott Dibblee Cooper Engs 16.

In the Negative Mr Recorder Ald Mott Wells Woodruff Mr Seymour Bryson Rogers Jeremiah Lovett 9

So it was carried in the Affirmative. Alderman Palmer gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board—Alderman Stevens called for the Vote of the Mayor; on the question The Mayor stated that by the Rules he was entitled to one Vote only, and that it was right to give that [97] vote when he saw fit and was not compelled to Vote Alderman Stevens appealed from that opinion of the

Mayor, but upon Motion of Alderman Mott the consideration of that appeal was postponed.

Mr Dibblee presented the following Resolution which was read and Laid on the Table.

Resolved that this Common Council will not in future sanction the payment of any Bill for any Corporation or Public Dinner which is not previously directed by a Resolution of the Common Council.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Gas Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Gas to enquire and Report to this Board whether the New York Gas light Company have not received from the City Treasury payment for the extinguishment of Lamps to which they are not entitled by contract and to what Amount.

A Petition of Samuel P Wallis for permission to suspend in front of his Store No 205 Broadway a Clock with two Dials was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Third Ward with powers.

[98] A Communication was received from John Martino relative to supplying the City with good and Wholesome Water was read and referred to the Water Committee and the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Remonstrance of John C & R L Stevens against the grant of a New Ferry to John Shillaber from the Jersey shore to the foot of Warren street, was read and referred to the Ferry Committee, and on Motion of Alderman Mott the Report of the Ferry Committee Laid on the Table at the last Meeting was called and referred back to the Ferry Committee.

A Petition of Edmund Blunt to take charge, And also B & S Demilt to take charge of the Observatory at the City Hall free of expence were read and referred to the Committee on Arts & Sciences.

A Memorial of persons confined in the Debtors Jail remonstrating against their removal at present to the building formerly known as the City Prison was read and referred to the Committees on Repairs & Public Offices.

[99] A Petition of William Monckton to have a fine remitted for letting his Cart remain in the Street was read and referred to the Police Committee

A Petition of Mary Wade to be permitted to sell Fruit &c in front of the Park was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A Petition of a number of persons in favor of a New Market at the foot of Catharine street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Duff to have a fine remitted for selling Liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Resolvent Stephens for additional compensation as Clerk of the Police Office after the death of the late Mr Townsend to the appointment of Mr Hicks, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John H Graham & Catharine Ann Graham his wife praying to have the small Gore of land in the rear of their premises in Ann street between Nassau street and Broadway sold to them was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[100] A Petition of Mathias Wall, of John Davenport and of Peter L Webb respectively for the Office of Weigher of Hay at Tompkins Market were read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of Peter Williamson for the reward offered by the Mayor for the detection of Persons who have set fire to the City he having detected and prosecuted to conviction & sentence Sarah W Smith who set fire to the Stable of William Elder, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Hoffman Lessee of District N° 1 for the passage of a Law to facilitate the Collection of Wharfage of small Boats was read and referred to the Law Committee.

A Petition of Joshua D Waterman for reduction of rent on Block of ground bounded by Charlton, King, Washington and West streets of which he is the Lessee was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Fream and others to have Hester street paved from Bowery to Norfolk street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[101[A Petition of Andrew Killenger for Grant of Stall N° 10 Grand street Market formerly occupied by Joseph Ferdon was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Remonstrance of Edward Phillips and others against fencing Vacant Lots between Stanton and North streets was read and referred to the Street Committee & City Inspector.

A Petition of Bernard Hone for the remission of a Fine for selling

Liquor without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Phinehas Underwood for payment for a Lot of ground on Ninth street taken by the Corporation for regulating the 3d Avenue was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of John McCosker and others against the proposed widening of Spruce street, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John F Delaplaine & others to have the Bloomingdale Road paved [102] from 14th to 21st Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Nathan B Graham Jr and others to have the Well in William street near Cedar street properly dug so as to supply the Inhabitants in the vicinity with Water was read and referred to the Superintendent of Repairs.

A Petition of John McMahon praying to be released from the Debtors Jail where he is now confined for selling Liquors &c refd to Police Committee with powers.

A Petition of Charles Hopper & others to have the stable situated at the corner of Mott and Houston Street removed was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Reuben Miles to be appointed a Wood Inspector was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Remonstrance of William S Watkins & others against the widening of Lombardy street was read and Laid on the Table.

[103] A Petition of P H Lane for permission to sink a Pump at the corner of Bowery and Tenth street at his own expence, was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward and Street Commissioner.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Appointments were made and the Resignations accepted.

Fire Engine Co

No 1

George W Gilchrist—Silver smith 389 Greenwich St

To fill the Company.

No 6

Samuel Bennet—Morrocco Dresser 71 Warren St

Vc Charles *Shivers* [Shriver]—Resigned

N° 9

Henry B Cook
Gilder 18 Stone S[t]
George W Gordon
Merch[t] 21 John S[t]
Joseph R Young—
Cabinet Maker
67 Broad S[t]
Isaac Labagh—
Merch[t] 44 Lumber S[t]
Alexander W Hardie
Hatter 14 New Street
George Young—
Upholsterer 67 Broad S[t]
George Dawson—
Cabinet Maker 34 Beaver S[t]
John Cook—
Gold beater 18 Stone S[t]
George Robertson
Tailor 11 Pine Street
Emanuel B Hart—
Merchant 12 Lispenard S[t]

} To fill the Company.

[104] N° 10

George S Kip Carver 32 fifth S[t] V[c] Daniel Horton—Expelled

N° 17.

George E Hobby—Grocer 103 Cherry Street
V[c] Edmund C Littlewood Resigned
Isaac Clark—Printer 77 James S[t]
V[c] Bartholemew Mealio—Resigned

N° 18

James Wendover—Druggist Co[r] Christopher & Grove S[t]
V[c] Samuel J *Glispie* [Gillespie] Resigned
David Robinson Comb Maker Co[r] Bleecker & Burton S[t]
To fill the Company.

N° 23

Edward Butman—Cabinet Maker Co[r] Lawrence & Grand S[t]
V[c] Peter R Warner Resigned

N° 27

Henry S Cave—Shoemaker N° 8 Grand S[t]
V[c] John Van Winkle Time Expired

N° 29

Isaac Paulding—Carpenter Van Dam near Hudson S[t]
V[c] Cyrus P Tooker Resigned

N° 37

Abraham Storms J[r] Dock builder 49 Clinton S[t]
V[c] Abraham Masterson—Time Expired
John P Smith—Blacksmith 9 Ludlow S[t]
V[c] Joseph B Poor—Resigned

[105] N° 36

John M Marsh—Carpenter 91 Sullivan S^t^
V^c^ Thomas M Day—Resigned

N° 39

Peter Thompson Sadler Vesey Street
V^c^ William A Dobson—Resigned
A H Maverick—Engraver Liberty S^t^ V^c^ To fill the Company

N° 41

James R Sparrow Cartman 130 Attorney S^t^
V^c^ To fill the Company

N° 44

Francis E Thomas Ship Carpenter Clinton S^t^
V^c^ Abraham Hatfield—Resigned
Robert Kerven—Ship Carpenter Lewis & Stanton S^t^
V^c^ James Everly—Resigned
George Jennings—Ship Carpenter Cannon S^t^
V^c^ Gilbert A Johnson Resigned

N° 46

Joseph Snyder—Piano Forte Maker 18^th^ S^t^ To fill Company

Fire Hose C° N° 1

Benjamin Field Sadler 39 Bowery
V^c^ Thomas Schieffelin Jun^r^ Resigned
Elbert R Sammis Accountant 321 Pearl S^t^
V^c^ John J Stephens Resigned
Emery Purdy—Merchant 76 Mott S^t^
V^c^ Jacob Wardell Time Expired

[106] Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 2

Joseph B Harvey 83 Cliff S^t^
Henry Riley—
Musical Instrument Maker 66 Norfolk S^t^
Frederick Riley—
Musical Instrument Maker 29 Chatham S^t^
William Jagger Hatter 460 Pearl S^t^
Henry Brown Hatter 83 Chatham S^t^
Edward Blanchard Hatter 39 Frankfort S^t^
John G C Lord—Carpenter 28 Hamilton
Sidney B Hatfield—Printer 95 Canal S^t^
} To fill the Company

No 4

Benjamin F Wallace Butcher Eldridge St

Vc Israel W Lobb—Resigned

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for the correction of sundry Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Vizt

No					
	1.	[107]Edward Livingston	Owner	E side Clinton St	Lots
	2.	W & D Beck	"	67 Ludlow St	"
	3.	Est of N Low Decd	"	N side Madison St	"
	4.	Wm L Simers	"	E side Scammel St	"
	5.	Est of Chas Coles Decd	"	" "	"
	6.	Mrs Dickes	"	S side Harman St	"
	7.	Wm B Crosby	"	" "	"
	8.	Dr James Owens	"	29 Renwick St	"
	9.	Jacob Brower	"	N side 10th St	"
	10.	James Boyle	"	W side 5th Avenue	"
	11.	Samuel Thomson	"	N side of Henry St	"
	12.	S. W. Lowerre	"	"	"
	13.	Peter Smith	"	S side of Harman St	"
	14.	Hugh Smith	"	"	"
	15.	Moses Young	"	"	"
	16.	W Bulkley	"	"	"
	17.	T. J. Gardner	"	"	"
	18.	Thomas Morton	Lessee	S side of Grand St	"
	19.	John M Seaman	owner	" Harman St	"
	20.	"	"	" Grand St	"

I Warren
City Inspector

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in Sunken Lots between Bloomingdale Road and Sixth Avenue & between 13th & 15th Streets [108] at the public expence, and that a Lien be taken on the premises for the same—Which was read and passed.

The Commissioners of the Alms House Penitentiary and Bridewell presented a Report in pursuance of the Resolution of the Common Council of the 28th of June last which was ordered to be laid on the Table and 250 Copies to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Peter Smith for the payment of Balances due him for paving Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of

Peter Smith for the payment of the balances due to him on his contracts for regulating and paving streets

Respectfully Report

They find due to the Petitioner on the paving of West street from Spring to Hamersly street $593 $^{7}/_{100}$, and also to be due to him on the filling up and regulating Avenue C from Second to Fifth streets $2802 $^{96}/_{100}$. [109] The assessments for the above mentioned streets have been confirmed several months since, all the steps pointed out by Law have been complied with by the Collectors, and the property which is delinquent, is now advertised for sale, in order to Collect the same by order of the Common Council from these circumstances your Committee are of opinion, that the prayer of the Petitioner, is reasonable and ought to be granted, and offer the following Resolution

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to draw Warrants in favor of Peter Smith the Petitioner for the sum of $593,$^{7}/_{100}$ balance for paving West street from Spring to Hamersly street and for the sum of $2802,$^{96}/_{100}$ balance for regulating Avenue C from 2^{d} to 5th Streets

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Owen Smith for payment of Monies due him for filling in sunken Lots in Mulberry street presented the following [110] Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee on the annexed Petition of Owen Smith for the payment of money due for filling up four sunken Lots in Mulberry street beg leave to Report, that they find the Petitioner was employed by the late City Inspector to fill up the Lots in question, and did actually render the service required of him by the said filling up, as is shewn to your Committee by the Certificate of Daniel Ewen City Surveyor appended to the Petition, and also by the verbal statement of M^{r} Ewen made before the Committee to that effect.

The amount of his contract with the City Inspector for 3345 loads of Earth is $275.60 and your Committee offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller be directed to draw a Warrant in favor of Owen Smith the Petitioner for the amount above stated of $275,^{60}/_{100}$

Respectfully submitted

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
Wm W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

[111] The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Application of a Committee appointed at a Meeting of Citizens to apply to the Municipal authorities for aid in the establishment of a House of Industry presented a Report which was read, Laid on the Table and directed to be printed with the Documents relating thereto for the use of the Members

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of Members of Fire Engine Company No 36 for a New Engine House and also a permanent Location near its present one, presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of the Members of Fire Engine Company No 36 for a New Engine House, and also for a permanent location near its present one

Respectfully Report

That the Engine House is very much decayed and not worth repairing and in the opinion of your Committee ought to be replaced by a new one, that the present scite, viz the ground of the Presbyterian Church in Spring street near Varick street is too small and inconvenient for the erection of a proper and suitable House, that your Committee have endeavoured to procure a Lot in the vicinity, and they would Report that Mr Anthony Compton [112] has offered them a piece of ground on the corner of Van Dam & Varick streets of the following dimensions 15 feet front and rear & 25 feet deep on a Lease of Seventeen years at the rate of Fifty Dollars per year, which in the opinion of your Committee is the most advantageous terms they can procure a Lot on. They accordingly offer for the consideration of the Common Council the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on the Fire Department be and is empowered to Lease the above Lot, and that the Superintendent of

Repairs under the direction of the said Committee have a suitable House erected on the same.

Benjamin M Brown
James Palmer
John Rogers
P W Engs
William Scott
Samuel Stevens

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the Petition of the Trustees of Columbia College for the removal of Engine House N° 6 also Petition of Members of said Company and of Inhabitants in the vicinity of [113] Hudson & Chamber streets for location of same at junction of Hudson Chapel Reed & Chamber street presented a Report in favor of the same which was read and Laid on the Table.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Samuel White, William H Hawes, Nicholas Ryerson & Jacob Tier for Butchers Licences presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the several Petitions of Samuel White William H Hawes of Nicholas Ryerson, & of Jacob Tier respectfully Report

That the several Petitions are accompanied with the necessary transfers & the usual Certificates of Qualification, they accordingly offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted to Nicholas Ryerson for Stall N° 8 Fulton Market—To James Reeves for Stall N° 8 Essex Market—To William H Hawes for Stall N° 7 Washington Market & to Robert Tier for Stall N° 6 Washington Market.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Jonathan Seymour
[114] W Seaman
B. J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Asten for increase of Salary as sweeper of Fulton Market presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Isaac Asten sweeper of Fulton Market praying an increase of Salary Respectfully Report.

That the duties of sweeper of said Market has increased very much & he now daily requires the aid of three Assistants.

To pay these men together with the expence of Brooms &c so reduces the amount of his compensation, as to afford an inadequate maintenance for himself; They therefore offer the following Resolution for the consideration of the Common Council.

Resolved that the pay to Isaac Asteen sweeper of Fulton Market be increased from One dollar & fifty cents per day to Two Dollars.

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
Jonathan Seymour
[115] W Seaman
B J Meserole

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips and Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition from a number of persons recommending the purchase of part of the Estate of the late Colonel Rutgers near the foot of Jefferson street presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee of Wharves Piers & Slips and Finance to whom was referred a Petition from a number of persons residing in the Eastern part of the City recommending the purchase of part of the Estate of the late Col^{l} Rutgers near the foot of Jefferson street. Respectfully Report.

That your Committees have made the necessary enquiry and have ascertained that the Grant of Water Lots made to Co^{l} Rutgers extends to and includes South street, reserving however to the Corporation the water in front thereof for a Public Slip or Basin and also such portion of South street as may be necessary after such Public Slip or Basin shall be formed. Under these circumstances your Committees are of opinion that it would not be to the interest of the Corporation to become the purchasers of the ground now offered for Sale by the Executors [116] of Col Rutgers and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is unnecessary at this time for the Corporation to purchase any portion of the Land belonging to the estate of Col

Rutgers situate on the East River between Rutgers and Jefferson streets.

John Lovett
W Seaman
Peter J Nevius
Anthony Lamb
Wm W Mott
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Committee on Repairs to whom was referred the subject of painting the Basement of the City Hall white in imitation of Marble presented the following Report in favor.

The Committee of Repairs to whom was referred the Resolution of Mr Roosevelt relative to painting the Basement of the City Hall white in Imitation of Marble

Beg leave to Report

That your Committee have maturely considered that subject, and it is not without feelings of regret that they are constrained to say they think a great Error was committed by building any [117] part of the outside of the Hall with Brown free stone, when Marble could have been procured of a much stronger and more durable nature, But from the experience of some of your Committee, and from the enquiry they have made of old experienced builders and Stone Cutters, they are satisfied that painting free Stone with Oil colours, tend more to harden and preserve that material, than any other thing they are acquainted with. In consideration of which your Committee would offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Superintendent of Repairs cause the Basement of the South, East and West fronts of the City Hall to be painted white under the direction of the Committee on Repairs.

Thomas T Woodruff
James N Wells
Wm Mandeville.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of owners of property on that part of Ann street recently widened to have the side walks Eleven feet in width presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *the* some of the owners of the property on that part of Ann street recently widened [118] to have the side walks Eleven feet in width

Respectfully Report

That inasmuch as part of the walks are newly laid to the width allowed by Law viz[t] Ten feet, they deem it inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners, believing that Ten feet is as much as ought to be allowed in that Street, being only 40 feet in width.

Accordingly they submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the regulation of 8[th] Street completed between Avenue D and Lewis street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the regulation of 8[th] Street completed between Avenue D & Lewis street. Respectfully Report.

[119] That Eighth street being partially filled renders it impassible for Carriages, and ought in their opinion to be filled to the regulation;

Accordingly they submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Eighth street be filled and regulated from Avenue D to Lewis street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Carriage way on the Easterly side of Coenties slip between Front and South street re-paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition to have the Carriage way re-paved on the Easterly side of Coen-

ties Slip between Front and South streets. That in their opinion the request of the Petitioners ought to be granted, and Accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Carriage way on the Easterly side of Coenties Slip be re-paved from Front street to South street

[120] Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Side walks of North street, Second street and Cannon streets paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition to have the side walks of North street from Cannon to Goerck street, Second street from Avenue D to Goerck street, and of Cannon street from Stanton to North street respectively paved.

Report

That in their opinion the walks in all those parts of Streets ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of North street be paved from Cannon to Goerck street—of Second street from Avenue D to Goerck street—And of Cannon street from Stanton to North street.

[121] Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Mildeberger & others to have Sidewalks of Christopher street paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Mildeberger and other to have the side walks of Christopher street paved Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion the walks of that Street ought to be paved from Greenwich Lane to Washington street, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Christopher street be paved from Greenwich Lane to Washington street

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of [122] Clinton street from Stanton to North street re-paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Clinton street paved from Stanton street to North street Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the walks of that part of Clinton street ought to be paved, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the side walks of Clinton street be paved from Stanton street to North street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have William street re-paved from Duane to Frankfort street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition to have William street re-paved from Duane street to Frankfort street, that, that part of William street ought to be [123] repaved, and therefore submit the following Resolution

Resolved that William street be repaved from Duane street to Frankfort street

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Avenue B between North and Second street paved presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the Petition for paving Avenue B between North and Second streets, That in their opinion that part of the Avenue ought to be paved, and Accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Avenue B be paved from North street to Second street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers
George D Strong.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[124] The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of City Guager in the place of John Duffy dec^{d} presented the following Report in favor of appointing Abraham Dally Jun^{r}

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom were referred the several Petitions for the Office of City Guager in the place of John Duffy dec^{d} Respectfully Report.

That they have duly considered the same and have come to the conclusion, to offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Abraham Dally Jun^{r} be and he is hereby appointed a City Guager in the place of John Duffy deceased.

Respectfully submitted

B. J. Meserole
Peter J Nevius
John Lovett

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and he was accordingly appointed.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 1st Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Remsen & others requesting the removal of the Pump at Hanover Square presented the following Report against [125] the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the First ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition of Peter Remsen and others requesting that the Well & Pump at Hanover square may be removed to some more suitable Location

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the Well in its situation gives less Annoyance to the individuals in that vicinity or to the public, than at any

other place in that section of the City, and that the water is good which would probably not be the case even if it was removed, but a little distant from its present location.

For the foregoing considerations your Committee are induced to recommend the Adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to remove the Well and Pump at Hanover Square from its present location.

Peter J Nevius
James I Roosevelt Jr
R Graves.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Gas Committee presented the following Report relative to lighting Beekman Wall and Courtlandt Streets with Gas, on being read [126] It was moved that Fulton street be inserted in the Resolution which was carried in the Affirmative

The Report was then read in the words following.

The Gas Committee respectfully Report

That there is now on hand in the Corporation Yard One hundred and seventy six Gas Lamp Post[s] which in the opinion of your Committee should be immediately put in use.

And from an Estimate made by the Superintendent of Lamps, this number appears to be sufficient to light Beekman Wall & Courtlandt streets, they accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Superintendent of Lamps under the directions of the Gas Committee, cause Beekman street, Wall street, "Fulton street" and Courtlandt street to be lighted with Gas

Respectfully submitted

Peter J Nevius
Thomas T Woodruff
William W Mott

Whereupon the Report and Resolution as amended were Adopted. Mr Engs gave notice of reconsideration at the next Meeting.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed [127] and Assessors appointed thereto.

For paving Side walks of Clinton street from Stanton to North street and John Targee Abraham Quick and John Harris were appointed Assessors.

For re-paving William street from Duane to Frankfort street and

Shivers Parker Thomas R Smith and Samuel Gilford were appointed Assessors.

For paving Avenue B from North street to Second street and Abraham Bloodgood, Cornelius J Roosevelt & Pine Hopkins were appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of parts of North, Second, and Cannon streets and David Lyon Charles Dusenbury & David Marsh J^{r} appointed Assessors.

For paving Side walks of Christopher street from Greenwich Lane to Washington street and Gideon Tucker, Everardus Warner & Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors

For re-paving the Carriage way on the Easterly side of Coenties Slip and John Lozier Abraham Baudoine & Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors

[128] For regulating Eighth street from Avenue D to Lewis street and James Fairlie Peter Stagg & Abraham Lefoy were appointed Assessors.

The Street Commissioner presented an Assessment for a Well & Pump in Morton street together with objections thereto, Which were read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz^{t}

For paving Side walks in North street between First Avenue & Cannon street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For paving the Side walks in Thompson street between Prince and Houston street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector

For regulating the Seventh Avenue between Greenwich Lane and 21st Street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For paving thirteenth street from the 3^{d} to the 5th Avenue and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

[129] For Re-paving Mott street from Bayard street to Walker street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account

Balance as per Account 6th Inst^{t}	8.42
Rec^{d} for Commutation Alien Passengers	2947.
" " Rents	2743.01
" " Streets	2432.84
" " Street Manure for August	2704.80
" " Tavren Licences	1080.
" " Tax of 1829	1078.30
" " Justices Courts	536.26
" " Fines of Attorney	345.02

Recd for Wells & Pumps	164.10
" " Mayoralty fees	97.
" " Dist Attorneys fees	127.14
" " Intestate Estates	17.79
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 23d August on Actt	8000.
	$22.281.68

36 Accounts audited and directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	$1386.
Asten & Field do 2d Dist	994.
Stagg & Herring Do 3d Dist	945.
Wm S Smith Collector City Revenue 1 Qr 22d Inst & Charges	306.
U Wenman Chief Engineer 1 Qr 8th Inst	200.
A B Martling Keeper City Hall to purchase Coal ordrd 6 Sept	550.
[130] Jonah Tilley & Son sundries for City Hall	159.
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack & postage Accts	126.04
Abm Leggett Super Mud Scow 2 weeks to 19th Inst	148.34
R Brant builds Engine House No 33 in Governeur St	480.25
F Hall & Co Subscription to Commercial [Advertizer] 6 Mo 10 Sept	50.
T Cumming pav & reg Barrow, West, Commerce [&] Barrow Hammond Sts 6th Avenue 19th & 20th Sts orderd 6 Sept	3186.
S. Parker & Associates Comrs fees &c openg Assylum St from Chistopher St to 6 Avenue	628.
R Emmet Attys Costs & Charges Do Do	483.68
A Bloodgood & Associates Comrs fees &c Opening 10th Avenue from 14th to 28th Street	515.19
R Emmet Attorys Costs & charges Do Do	299.10
T Cumming bal pavg Burton St fm Bedford St to Church line	356.73
R Pettigrew bal pavg side walks Bowery between 4th & 13th Street	246.42
P. Smith Actt repavg Mulberry between Cross & Walker Streets	100.
R Graves St Comr Actt working 8th Avenue from 93d to 111th St	1000.
R Graves do Actt Repairs Roads	500.
R Graves do Actt repairing Bridge on Harlem River	100.
P McBarron repairs Intersections & accepted Streets 11th Ward	304.13
P. Smith repairs pavements at James Slip	81.27
Jas Rile cleaning Pier No 18 E river Corporation half	8.91
J McBarron for a Well in William near Cedar St	31.50
J McBarron bal for Well 8th Avenue near 19th St	25.
J. M Bloodgood Superdt Streets Expences 1 Mo to 1 Sept.	2377.89
Schureman & Coutant repairs to Stable 86th St by R Comte	150.32

[131] A Burtis Super Alms House for working Convicts 86th St balance	777.57	
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs for Fire Dept	1000.	
J. P Roome " for Repairs	517.	
J. P. Roome " for Markets	500.	
J. P. Roome " for Pumps	450.	
John S Hardenbrook sunday service 9th Ward 17 days to 31s July	25.50	
A Burtis Superdt Alms House for Alms House	3000.	22.008.84
	Balance	$272.84

Board Adjourned to Monday the 4th day of October at 5 OClock P M.

[132] Special Meeting In Common Council Septemr 29. 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	James I Roosevelt Junr
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Isaac Brown	William Mandeville
George D Strong	David Bryson
William Seaman	Henry Arcularius
James N Wells	William Scott
Bernard J Meserole	John Rogers
David Marsh	Thomas Jeremiah
James Palmer	Fyler Dibblee
Thomas T Woodruff	Peter Cooper
	John Lovett

The reading of the Minutes of the last Meeting was dispensed with.

The Mayor stated that he had called this Meeting at the written request of a number of Members. Alderman Mott presented a Resotion directing the Old Jail to be [133] pulled down—Considerable debate arose thereon when Alderman Palmer called for the previous question

The Mayor put the Question, shall the main question be now put which was carried in the Affirmative—A Motion was made to adjourn A Division was called when the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Ald Seaman Wells Meserole Woodruff Mr Bryson Scott Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Cooper Lovett 11.

In the Negative. Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Strong Marsh Palmer Mr Roosevelt Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Dibble 11.

There being a Tie the Mayor voted in the Affirmative, and the Board was accordingly adjourned.

[134] In Common Council October 4. 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	Jonathan Seymour
William W Mott	William Mandeville
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
Anthony Lamb	William Scott
George D Strong	Joseph W Beadle
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Cooper
David Marsh	John Lovett
Gideon Lee	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meetings were read and approved.

After reading the Cash account and Accounts audited by the Comptroller, The [135] Mayor put the Question, shall an appropriation be now made for payment of the said Accounts.

Debates arose thereon when Alderman Mott moved that the appropriation be now made

A Motion was made to lay the same on the table which was lost— The Question was then taken on Alderman Motts motion, and was carried in the Affirmative. A Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Lamb Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff Mr Seymour Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Cooper Lovett Engs 20

In the Negative Ald Stevens I Brown Strong Marsh Lee Mr Mandeville Dibblee 7

The Accounts were then passed and Warrants directed to be issued for the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 13th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump at the corner of Broome & Willett streets presented the [136] following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 13th Ward and the Street Commissioner on a Petition for a Well & Pump on one of the corners of Broome & Willett streets respectfully Report

That a Well & Pump is necessary for the convenience of Residents in that vicinity and recommend that a Well be dug and a Pump placed therein on the North West corner of Broome & Willett streets.

James Palmer
John Lovett
R Graves

Which was approved.

Mr Dibblee presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

Resolved that an extra and sufficient Watch under the direction of the Watch Committee be stationed in this Hall by Night whose duty it shall be to guard this Building and the Offices and Records therein from the Hazard of Fire.

Alderman I Brown presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

[137] Resolved that the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips be requested to enquire and Report the propriety of extending the Pier at the foot of Oliver street.

Mr Mandeville presented the following Resolution which was read and Adopted.

Resolved that there be appropriated and the Comptroller is hereby directed to issue his Warrant in favor of John M Bloodgood for $500, to pay for sweeping the Public grounds.

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that the sum of $200, be appropriated for making the alterations in the late Bridewell for the accommodation of the Sheriff under the direction of the Committee of Public Offices and Repairs.

Considerable debates arose thereon when the previous question was called by Alderman Palmer and was carried in the Affirmative—A Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius [138] I Brown Lamb B M Brown Wells Meserole Palmer Woodruff Mr Bryson Scott Beadle Rogers Dibble Lovett Engs 16

In the Negative Ald Mott Stevens Strong Seaman Marsh Lee Mr Seymour Mandeville Arcularius Cooper 10

The Question was then taken on the Resolution and was carried in the Affirmative—A Division having been called and Alderman Wells having at his own request been excused from voting the Members voted as follows.

In the Affirmative. Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Stevens I Brown Lamb Seaman B M Brown Meserole Lee Palmer Woodruff

Mr Seymour Mandeville Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadle Rogers [139] Cooper Lovett Engs 22

In the Negative Ald Strong Marsh Mr Dibblee 3

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Repairs.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Repairs to Report the probable Cost for cleansing and painting such parts of the inside of the City Hall as require it.

Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs

Resolved that the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs be authorised to prepare suitable apartments in the Westerly end of the Old Alms House for the holding of the criminal Courts of the City, and for the accommodation of the Grand and Petit Jurors, the District Attorney, the Clerk of the said Courts, The Police Office and others connected with the same, and that the sum of Two thousand dollars be appropriated for that purpose.

[140] Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places and Repairs.

Resolved that the Park fronting on Chamber street be enclosed with an Iron fence under the direction of the Committee on Lands & Places.

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Commissioners of the Alms House be directed to procure a Carriage, and to make such other arrangements as may be necessary for the safe conveyance of prisoners to and from the City Hall & Bridewell and that $600, be appropriated for that purpose.

Debates arose thereon when the previous question was called and sustained—The question was then taken on the Resolution and carried in the Affirmative—It was moved that powers be given to the Commissioners of the Alms House, which was also carried in the Affirmative.

Alderman Strong gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board

[141] The Resolution presented by Alderman Mott at the last Meeting upon which the question was not taken in consequence of a vote for adjournment having been carried was read in the words following

"Resolved that the Committee of Jail & Bridewell be and they

are hereby instructed to take measures to have the late Jail forthwith demolished."

The previous question having at the last Meeting been sustained, the Question was taken on the Resolution without debate, and a Division being called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Stevens Strong Marsh Mr Seymour Arcularius Dibblee 8

In the Negative Ald Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Mandeville Bryson Scott Beadle Rogers Cooper Lovett Engs 15

So it passed in the Negative.

[142] Alderman Palmer agreeably to notice given moved to Reconsider the Resolution proposed by him at the last regular Meeting which was agreed to—Alderman Palmer stated that the amendments made to it, so altered the Resolution that he was in that shape opposed to it—A motion was made to lay the Resolution on the Table which was carried in the Affirmative.

An Invitation was received from the Executive Committee of the American Institute to attend the Annual Fair on the 14th Inst and also the Oration to be delivered on the Evening of the 14th Inst at Masonic Hall, was read Accepted an ordered on file.

Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to a Special Committee

Resolved that the 18th Section of the New Charter, be referred to a select Committee, to Report to the Common Council the best and most judicious means of carrying into effect, the true intent and meaning of the provisions contained in the said Section—His Honor the Mayor appointed on that Committee Alderman Stevens [143] Mr Recorder Ald I Brown Seaman Lee

And on Motion it was Resolved that the Law Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A Petition of George Hoyt for permission to transfer Stall No 51 Fulton Market to Joseph B Smith was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Communication was received from a Committee of the New York Sugar refining Company relative to disposing of the Buildings and Ground belonging to the said Company for a Jail & Bridewell was read and referred to the Committee on Jail & Bridewell.

A Communication was received from Peter Embury relative to the Assessment for opening Ann street was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Robert Pettigrew for Balance due him on Account

filling 5th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee with power.

[144] A Petition of John J Westervelt and a number of others owners of property in the vicinity of Canal and Hoboken streets praying to have Hoboken street widened Thirty feet was read and referred to the Street and Finance Committees.

A Petition of a number of persons praying for the repeal of the Law relative to the sale of Hay and Straw from Wagons was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Remonstrance of William W Holly & others against regulating the Bowery Road between 13th and 16th Streets this Season was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of a Committee of Fire Wardens praying to have the time of Firemen necessary to be eligible as Fire Wardens reduced was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of Moses Coddington & others to have Fire Engine [House] N° 1 placed on a line on Caroline street was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

[145] A Petition of William W Lyon to be appointed a Weigher & Inspector of Anthracite Coal was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of William S Clark to be appointed Weigher of Hay at Tompkins Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of William H Leary & also of Henry F Myers for the Office of Measurer of Grain was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of James Duff & others to have Side walks paved in Suffolk street between Rivington & Stanton street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Samuel Fargay for balances due him for paving 2d Avenue & 2d Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of James J Titus to have Stall N° 57 Fulton Market transferred to Elbert Conklin was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[146] A Petition of John M Bletsoe, also of Benjamin Hempsted to be relieved from an erroneous Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Joseph F White to be relieved from the payment of a Fine for incumbering the side walks in front of his premises was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Ann Warner for permission to alter the Steps of the

Stoop of her house, was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the 9th Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Thomas R Mercein & others to have McDougal street paved from 6th to 8th Street, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Stuart Mollarn & others owners and Occupants of property in Franklin street between Broadway & Church streets to have the same repaved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[147] A Memorial of a Committee of the New York Institute to be permitted to use the large Room in the West end of the New York Institution on the Evening of the 14th Instant for the purpose of delivering an Address connected with the objects of said Institution, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices & Repairs with powers.

A Remonstrance of a number of persons against building an Engine House at the intersection of Hudson Chapel & Reed streets was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department; And the Report of the Committee on the Fire Department on that subject, made at the last Meeting, and laid on the Table, was called up and referred back to the same Committee.

A Memorial of Nathaniel C Griffith praying for extension of time to fill in and repave the foot of Hammond street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Burling to postpone the opening of 5th Avenue from 13th to 21st Street until 1st May next was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[148] A Petition of Samuel St John & others to have Maiden Lane & William street lighted with Gas, was read and referred to the Gas Committee.

A Petition of Andrew McCready to be appointed Keeper of the Battery or to fill some other Office under the Board was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places

A Petition of Patrick Ryan Hastings to have a Fine remitted for keeping a Dog, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Elizabeth Latimer for payment of work done by her husband now Deceased on the 10th Avenue in 1824 was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of James Gillender for a Well & Pump at the corner of Broadway & 15th Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of the Trustees of the African Church praying for the opening of a way, by which they may be enabled to have [149] access to their burying Ground situate on 86th Street between the 7th & 8th Avenues, was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Robert Emmet to have an Office assigned for his use in the Old Alms House (as Counsel of the Board) was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs.

A Petition of Thomas Walton & others to have Fire Engine Company N° 37 located at Essex Market, was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen which was read the Resignations accepted and appointments made.

Fire Engine C°

N° 1

Daniel M Phillips—Marble Cutter Cor Harrison & Staple Sts
To fill the Company

N° 3

Simon West Saddler 38 Eldridge St To fill the Company

[150] N° 12

William Haggerty Upholsterer Chatham Cor Pearl
Vc Henry Brown—Resigned

James Tillison Artist 16 William St
Vc Edward Blanchard Resigned
Sidney B Hatfield } Resigned
Stewart Haynes }
James Shiells—Expelled

N° 13

Edward H Miller—Accountant Cor Franklin Square & Cherry St
Vc Thomas M Beare Resigned

James M Holmes—Merchant 65 James St
Vc Washington Van Wyck Resigned

Edward McPherson—Book binder Cor Oak & James St
Vc Stephen D Thorne—Resigned

N° 16

Henry B Greenwood — Thomas Duffy
Jared Williams — Samuel Cox &
Richard H Penoyer — ———— Resigned

N° 17

James Chapple—Rigger 30 Oak street To fill Company.

N° 18

Samuel J Gilespie—Mason N° 6 6th Avenue To fill the Company

N° 24.

George Streight—Blacksmith 81 Wooster S[t]
V[c] Henry Goitches—Resigned

[151] N° 27

William N Thison—Joiner Co[r] Canal & Wooster S[t]
V[c] Irvine M[c]Bride Resigned

N° 28.

Charles Copping—Shoemaker Lispenard S[t]
V[c] C Norwood—Resigned

N° 29

Francis Mallie—Stone Cutter 212 Canal S[t] To fill Company

N° *37* [31]

Charles Landers Baker 45 Leonard S[t] V[c] R Ainslie—Resigned

[N° 37]

[James Lawrence—Mason Rivington S[t]
V[c] Samuel Conwell—time expired]
Richard Warn—North S[t] V[c] William Jarvis—Resigned

N° 41.

Robert Bennet Caulker 100 Clinton V[c] To fill Company.

Fire Hose C°

N° 1

Baxter Howe Grocer 194 Water S[t]
V[c] Samuel B Coombs—Time Expired

Hook & Ladder C°

N° 2

Thomas J Haynes Hatter—18 Howard Street
Henry Haynes 195 Green Street
John Wilson Saddler—131 Bowery
} To fill Company

[152] N° 4

John Neil Rigger Cor Broome & Orchard St

Vc Joshua Sawyer—Resigned

William S Barton—Carpenter Ludlow St Vc George Reed—Resigned

Alderman Stevens stated that it was proper that at this Meeting the Inspectors for the ensuing Annual Election should be appointed, and he moved that the Board now go into the appointment which was agreed to. It was also agreed that the Inspectors should be nominated by the Alderman and Assistant of the respective Wards—The Inspectors of the 1st & 2d Wards were nominated by the Alderman & Assistant of the said Wards and were appointed The Alderman & Assistant of the 3d Ward nominated William H Ireland, George Hodgson & Abraham B Rich [as Inspectors—A motion was made by Ald Seaman that the Inspectors be appointed by Ballot—this was of course done & Wm H Ireland, George Hodgson & Abraham B Rich] were appointed—The Aldermen & Assistants of the 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th & 13th Ward nominated the Inspectors for their respective Wards and they were appointed. The Alderman of the 14th Ward nominated as Inspectors Charles Dusenbury William C Whales & Smith Ovutt—The Assistant of the ward nominated Smith Ovutt, Andrew Jackson &

The Board proceeded to Ballot when Charles Dusenbury, William C Whales & Smith Ovutt [153] had a Majority of votes and *was* [were] declared duly Elected. The following are the Inspectors who were appointed

1st Ward	2d Ward
Jeremiah Manning	Samuel Gilford Junr
James Boyd Junr	John W Timpson
Elisha Tibbets	William Colgate
3d Ward	4th W
William H Ireland	Joseph N Lord
George Hodgson	George E Smith
Abraham B Rich	George Everson
5th Ward	6th Ward
Robert M Russell	Thomas Whaley
William Westervelt	Nicholas C Everitt
John B Schmelzel	Clarkson Crolius Senr
7th	8th
Abraham Dally	Stuart F Randolph
Thompson Price	Anthony Haff
Josiah Mann	William W Cowan
9th	10th
Thomas Morris	John Lane
Richard B Fosdick	Alexander Ming
Abraham P Maby	William H Peck

11th	12th
Thomas Valentine	Isaac Dyckman
George Sibell	Andrew McGowan
Jacob Acker	James Flanagan
[154] 13th Ward	14th Ward
Peter Ogilvie Junr	Charles Dusenberry
Alexander Stewart	William C Whales
Isaac B Merritt	Smith Ovutt

The Comptroller presented the following Cash account.

Balance as per Account 20th Septr	$272.84
Recd for Streets	4192.38
" " Street Manure for Sept	2698.75
" " Rents	772.32
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	733.
" " Justices Courts	324.51
" " Superior Court fees	223.50
" " Wells & Pumps	100.
" " Mayoralty fees	45.
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorized 23d August bal	17.300.
	$26.662.30

73 Accounts audited & directed to be paid

Blauvelt & Stewart Watch 1st Dist	1386.
Asten & Field " 2d "	994.
Stagg & Herring " 3d "	945.
W Bowne Mayor Salary 1 Qr 2d Octr	750.
R Riker Recorder 1 Qr 1st "	375.
J Sidell First Marshall 1 Qr "	225.
Jacob Hays High Constable 1 Qr "	125.
Astin & Higbee Asst Keepers City Hall 1 Mo 1 Qr	75.
[155] C Myers Keeper Pottersfield 1 Mo 1 Octr	67.50
O Ayres Asst City Inspector " "	58.50
J Coffin Do " "	58.50
T Astin St Inspector 1st Ward " "	45.
T Woolcocks " 2d " " "	45.
J B Ebbetts " 3d " " "	45.
N B Lyon " 4th " " "	45.
I. A Isaacs " 5th " " "	45.
A Morris " 6th " " "	45.
F Gantz " 7th " " "	45.
Wm G Babb " 8th " " "	45.
H. B. Roome " 9th " " "	45.
T Austin " 10th " " "	45.
A Hatfield " 11th " " "	45.
E Kingsland " 12th " " "	45.
D Hubbard " 13th " " "	45.
P Field " 14th " " "	45.

Manhattan Co Water for 3 Markets 1 May 1831 & Jail to 1 Nov 1830					237.50
J Pinckney Asst Board of Health			1 Mo	1 Oct	52.
A Parker	"		"	"	52.
J Coffin Asst City Inspect removg Nuisances			"	"	56.90
G Duryea	Clerk	Fulton Market & sweeper	"	"	92.86
L Baum	do	Washington Market	"	"	80.67
J Bremner	do	Catharine	"	"	60.
J Gilbert	Do	Clinton & Greenwich	"	"	58.
J M Devoy	Do	3 Markets	"	"	57.50
[156] S Fleet	Do	Centre Market	"	"	55.50
R Smith	"	Franklin Market	"	"	37.50
Jas Seaman	"	Manhattan "	"	"	30.
John Martine	"	Tompkins "	"	"	30.
D. T. Valentine	Marshal	Marine Court	"	"	32.50
Abm Leggett	Superdt	Mud Scow 2 weeks to 3d Oct			110.87
Wm A Davis		25 Copies Laws of State relative to City			25.
Owen Smith		filling Lots Mulberry St Lien Henry Walton			275.60
J M Bloodgood	Superdt	Streets Expences 1 Mo 1 Oct			2533.39
G Snethen		stopping Gas 7 Mo to 1 Oct			227.21
John Morrison		work at Gas Lights			62.25
Wm H Hoyt		repairs Gas Lamps			30.62
Saml Judd		33 Casks Oil			1760.76
Saml Judd		Lamp Glasses & Wicks			13.18
G Snethen		lights Lamps 1 Mo 1 Oct			1376.20
G Snethen		Super Lamps Salary 1 Qr 1 Oct			187.50
R Provoost		paints & Repairs Lamps & Gas lights 1 Mo 1 Oct			57.49
J Oothout	Treas	Bank for Savings Interest on $300,000 1 Qr 1 Oct			3750.
A Burtis		Super Alms House & Clerk Salary 1 Qr 1 Oct			525.
J. O Woodruff		Keeper Penitentiary & 2 Assts	"	"	500.
J Wood		Physician Bellevue	"	"	375.
A Kirkland		agent for S Budd Return Costs on House & Lot Spring St sale of Taxes 23d Sept 1829			7.
P. Smith		bal reg Avenue C from 2d to 5th St ordered 20 Sept			2802.96
Chris Keyes	Act	reg 7th St fm 1st Avenue to Avenue A			500.
S Fargay	Act	repavg Hester fm Norfolk to Suffolk St & Suffolk fm Division to Hester St			200.
[157] P Smith	Act	repavg Mulberry St fm Cross to Walker St			100.
R Pettigrew		bal reg & pavg Goerck fm Delancy to Rivington St			100.45
Danl Ewen		Surveys &c 1 Qr 1 Oct			319.56
J. F Bridges	Do	" "			215.91
Isaac T Ludlum	Do	" "			177.43
Geo: B Smith	Do	" "			45.
E W Bridges	Do	9 Months "			42.44

Jas Pinkerton flagging & paving at Washington Market....	1488.46	
P. McBarron repairs pavement at Broome St Slip.....	222.85	
P. Smith repairs Intersections & Accepted Sts 7 Ward....	129.63	
P McGlinn for Well McDougal near 6th Street removed...	31.	
J McBarron bal for Well North near Willett St.....	9.	
R Graves St Comnr Act fitting up Old Alms House appropriated 31 May.....	1000.	
J Colvill Coroner 1 Qur 1 October.....	759.02	26.583.21
		$79.09

The Board then Adjourned to Monday next the 11th Instant at 5 OClock P M.

[158] In Common Council October 11th 1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President.
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder.

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	Jonathan Seymour
William W Mott	William Mandeville
Samuel Stevens	Isaac Brown
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
Anthony Lamb	Joseph W Beadle
George D Strong	John Rogers
William Seaman	Thomas Jeremiah
Benjamin M Brown	Fyler Dibblee
James N Wells	Peter Cooper
Bernard J Meserole	John Lovett
Gideon Lee	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The unfinished business of the last Meeting was now taken up

[159] The Street Commissioner presented the following Return of Delinquents which were read and Warrants ordered to be issued to the Collectors thereof. Vizt

For an Assessment to pave Weehawken street from Christopher to Amos street.

For building Public Cisterns corner of Bleecker & Amos streets. Warrant to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

Also for an Assessment for regulating the 9th Avenue from 16th to 18th Street.

For laying Side walks in Centre street between Franklin & White streets.

For widening Jacob street between Frankfort and Ferry streets.

For laying side walks in Mott street between Prince and Bleecker streets

For laying side walks in Mulberry street between Prince and Houston streets. Warrants to issue to John Hanmer the Collector thereof.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were Confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For repaving Nassau street from Beekman to Spruce street & Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

[160] For repaving South street from old Slip to Coenties Slip & Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Seventh street between the 2[d] & 3[d] Avenue & Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Sixth street between the 2[d] & 3[d] Avenue and John Hanmer appointed Collector

For paving Side walks of Norfolk street between Rivington and North street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For paving Burton street between Bedford and Bleecker street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

He also presented an Assessment for Bulkhead at James Slip, together with objections to the confirmation which were referred to the Committee on Assessments.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Hester street re-paved between the Bowery and Norfolk street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was [161] referred the Petition to have Hester street re-paved between the Bowery and Norfolk street Respectfully

Report.

That the pavement of that Street is much broken and in their opinion ought to be repaved, And accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that Hester Street be repaved and the side walks re-laid from the Bowery to Norfolk street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the Bloomingdale Road paved to 21st Street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition to have the Bloomingdale road paved to 21st Street

That inasmuch as that way and Road has been recently dug out and regulated and the present surface is composed of Clay and loom, it will be rendered impassible during the ensuing [162] season unless it is covered with a suitable layer of gravel or sand. Your Committee are therefore of the opinion that inasmuch as it is one of most frequented Avenues to this City the anticipated evil ought to be prevented, in order to which, they recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that so much of the Bloomingdale road as lies between the 13th & 21st Streets be gravelled and paved that the setting of the Curb stone and Gravelling of the Carriage way and side walks be done the present season, and the paving of the Carriage way be postponed until the next ensuing summer

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the case of Patrick McPake the judgment against him having been reversed by the Superior Court presented the following Report

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Attorney to the Board in [163] relation to the case of Patrick McPake

Respectfully Report.

That the Judgment recovered by the Corporation in the year 1829 against McPake for a violation of one of the Corporation Ordinances was in June last reversed by the Superior Court upon Certiorari. That the Costs thereon have been regularly Taxed at $83.94 for which amount judgment has been rendered, payment of which amount is therefore unavoidable.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller issue his Warrant in favor of

William Mulock the Attorney of Patrick M^cPake for the said sum of $83 $^{9}/_{100}$ in satisfaction of said judgment

Samuel Stevens
Fyler Dibblee
G Lee
W Seaman

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Resolvent Stephens for compensation for extra services as Clerk of Police Office presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom [164] was referred the Petition of Resolvent Stephens Clerk of the Police Office for compensation for extra services Respectfully Report.

That Jacob Townsend the former Assistant Clerk of the Police Office died on or about the 25th of July last, and that the vacancy occasioned by his death was not filled until the 7th of September, when M^r Hicks the present Deputy Clerk was appointed; during that Interval the duties of that Office were performed by M^r Stephens, and his present application is for the amount of compensation which M^r Townsend would have received for such period had he lived. The Committee have ascertained that the said duties were faithfully performed by M^r Stephens, and that in order to accomplish this extra service, he was obliged to labour during the evenings and at other times not usually appropriated to business. It was absolutely necessary that this duty should be done by some one, and the Committee have no hesitation in saying that M^r Stephens is justly entitled to receive the compensation which he has thus earned. They offer the following Resolution therefore. Resolved that the Comptroller report a Warrant in favor of Resolvent Stephens for Ninety three Dollars $^{33}/_{100}$ for his extra services in performing the duties of Assistant Clerk of the [165] Police Office from the 25th of July to the 7th of September 1830.

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
Peter J Nevius
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted. A Division having been called the Members voted as follows

In the Affirmative Ald Nevius Mott Lamb Strong Seaman B M Brown Wells Meserole Lee Palmer Woodruff M^r Seymour Mandeville

Bryson Arcularius Scott Beadel Rogers Jeremiah Dibblee Cooper Lovett 22

In the Negative Al[d] Stevens I Brown 2.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Holmes Hawley & C[o] & others relative to the Corporation taking the East side of India Wharf for Public use presented a Report which was read Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

[166] The Street Committee & City Inspector to whom was referred the Remonstrance against fencing certain Lots lying between Stanton & North Streets and Clinton and Attorney streets presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee and City Inspector to whom was referred the annexed Remonstrance against the fencing certain Vacant Lots in the 11[th] Ward lying between Stanton & North streets and Clinton and Attorney streets Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion there are no good reasons offered why the existing Nuisance on those Lots should not be abated by having them fenced in. And accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioners.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
John Lovett
George D Strong
William Scott
I Warren City Inspector

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

An Ordinance was presented read and passed against injuring any of the Hydrants [167] belonging to the Corporation Water works &c under the Title of " A Law to prevent injury to the Hydrants or other parts of the Water Works belonging to the Corporation.

M[r] Seymour presented the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved that Ann street recently widened between Broadway and Nassau street be regulated and paved, and that the Street Commissioner prepare the draft of an Ordinance therefor, and have the same carried into effect.

Alderman Meserole presented the following Resolution which was read and adopted.

Resolved that an appropriation of Three hundred Dollars be made

in favor of the Ferry Committee to Repair the Pier at Hell Gate Ferry

A Communication was received from Revd J M Mathews & J M Wainwright; Albert Gallatin & J Delafield Esquires a Committee from the University in this City stating that the University considering that a Meeting of Literary and Scientific Gentlemen from various parts of the Union to confer on the general interest of Letters and liberal Education would be attended with happy results, they had therefore with that view invited [168] such a Meeting to be held in this City on the 20th Instant, and they requested of the Corporation one of the Rooms under their control for said Meeting; they also requested the Members of the Common Council would favor them with their presence, and with such views as they may please to lay before them. The same being read it was Resolved that the Common Council Chamber the Sessions Room or the Rotunda at the option of the Applicants be assigned to them for that purpose.

A Communication was received from James Mease of Philadelphia on the subject of establishing an Institution for loaning money temporarily to Individuals, and abolishing the System of Pawnbrokers —The Institution to be under the direction of the Corporation, and the profits arising from such Loans to accrue to the Public which was referred to the Special Committee on Pauperism.

A Petition of Daniel Fisher for the appointment of Superintendent of the Astronomical Apparatus on the City Hall was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Laurent Salles for [169] Reduction of Tax on personal property in the 5th Ward was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

An Invitation was received to attend the funeral of Mayor James Fairlie on Tuesday the 12th Instant at 3½ OClock, which was Accepted, and on Motion Resolved that the Board meet in the Mayors Office and attend the Funeral with the Staves of Office.

The Comptroller presented the following Report on the subject of Collectors for the 12th & 13th Wards

The Comptroller respectfully informs the Common Council, that the Assessment Books have been delivered to the respective Collectors except the 12th and 13th Wards. It is understood that in consequence of the failure in electing a Collector for the 12th Ward at the last Annual Election a vacancy occurs in that Office, which the Board will no doubt remedy in the regular mode prescribed by Law.

The Collector of the 13th Ward was duly notified on the 25th day of September last that the Assessment Book of his Ward was ready for delivery, and he was requested to give a Bond within the time prescribed by Law. He has not come forward in conformity with the Notice, and as it is proper that the Tax should be collected as early as possible [170] The Common Council are informed of the circumstances that such measures may be adopted as their wisdom may judge proper

Respectfully submitted

G. N Bleecker Compt[r]

Whereupon Alderman Stevens presented the following.

Whereas Henry Mead lately appointed Collector of the Thirteenth Ward not having given the Security required by Law

Resolved that the Office of Collector of the thirteenth Ward be and the same is hereby declared to be vacant.

Which was adopted.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Collector of the 12th Ward presented the following Report accompanied with an Ordinance which was amended by inserting a direction for an Election in the 13th Ward.

The Law Committee to whom the subject of the appointment of a Collector for the 12th Ward was referred—Report.

That it appearing that the two highest Candidates for the Office of Collector for the 12th Ward had an equal number of votes, the Board applied to the Legislature for an Act to authorise an Election to fill the vacancy growing out of this circumstance. The Legislature passed an Act on [171] the 19th of April 1830 enabling the Corporation to order such Election. In Conformity thereto your Committee offer the accompanying Ordinance for holding an Election for a Collector for the 12th Ward

All which is respectfully submitted

Samuel Stevens
G Lee
Fyler Dibblee
W Seaman

Which was approved and Ordinance passed under the title of "A Law to hold Special Elections for Collectors in the 12th & 13th Wards."

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the communication from the Chief Engineer reporting the Members of Engine N° 21 for neglect of duty, presented a Report which was read

Laid on the Table and ordered to be printed for the use of the Members.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For repaving Ann street from Broadway to Nassau street and Abraham Dally, Samuel Purdy and Peter Ogilvie were appointed Assessors.

[172] For paving Bloomingdale Road from 13[th] to 21[st] Street and David Lyon, Charles Dusenberry & David Marsh J[r] were appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in Willet street near Broome street and John Slidell, Reuben Munson & Jedediah B Leister were appointed Assessors.

For repaving Hester street from the Bowery to Norfolk street and John Leonard Alpheus Sherman, and Cornelius Harsen were appointed Assessors.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 8[th] Ward named John T Banta as Inspector of Election in said Ward in the place of Anthony Haff resigned, which was approved and he was accordingly appointed.

A Petition from James Smith for further time to pay Assessments on property of Andrew Smith now advertised for Sale on the 17[th] November next was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[173] A Petition of Nicholas Stripple and others to have 3[d] Avenue opened from 13[th] to 21[st] Street was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Jeremiah Buskirk to be appointed Weigher of Hay at Tompkins Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of James Lyon to be relieved from the payment of a fine for not filling up sunken Lots on 5[th] Avenue was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Allen Smith also of Henry Osborne to be appointed weigher & Inspector of Coal were read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of the Members of Hose Company N° 1 for an increase of Men was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

A Petition of James L Reeves and William Reeves for exchange of Stalls was read and referred to the Market Committee.

[174] A Petition of Nathaniel Gibson for the remittance of a fine for Keeping a Dog was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Representation by Affidavit of Robert Halliday Executor of

Margaret Douglass deceased complaining of undue Assessments of personal Tax on the Estate of said Mary Douglass was referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of sundry persons praying that a Cast Iron pump may be erected at the corner of Bayard and Christie street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Nathaniel Underhill and others in the neighborhood of 8th Avenue and 37th Street to have the water course running through their Lots turned into some new Channel was read and referred to the Road Committee.

A Petition of Charles Feitner & others for a Well & Pump near the junction of 8th Avenue and 16th Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

[175] A Petition of Robert Wilson and others purchasers of property of the Executors of the late William Bayard deceased praying for the post-ponement of Sales of Lots for payment of the Street Assessments was referred to the Finance Committee.

Upon Motion of Mr Rogers Assistant of the 9th Ward George Lovett was appointed Inspector of Election for the 9th Ward in the place of Abraham P Maby resigned.

A Petition of Elizabeth Pearson to have a Balance of $17,$^{79}/_{100}$ being the amount due to her late husbands estate paid in the City Treasury by the Public Administrator was referred to the Finance Committee.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correcting nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting nuisances Vizt

No	1	James Boggs	owner	No 300 Hudson St	A Lot
	2.	N Rogers & others	"	S E cor Barrow & Commerce St	Do
	3.	Estt of T Rich Decd	"	S W cor Harman & Scammel	Do
	4.	Elizabeth Racey	"	S E cor Broome & Columbia	Do
	5.	Evert A Bancker	"	Do	Do
	6.	Do	"	NW. Cor Harman & Gouverneur	Do
	7.	James Sedgesberry	"	E side of Thompson St	Stables
	8	[176] J M Bletsoe	"	295 Hudson St	A Privy
	9.	Cornelius Vandenburgh	"	15 Anthony St	"
	10.	Patrick Clark	"	190 Chrystie St	"
	11.	Benjamin Hicks	"	158 Eldridge St	"
	12.	Jacob Appley	"	156 Do	"

I Warren City Inspector

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented an Ordinance to fill in sunken Lots at the South Easterly corner of 12th Street & 7th Avenue at the Public Expence, and that a Lien be taken on the premises for such expence was read and passed.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen the resignations were accepted and Appointments made Vizt

Fire Engine

No 9

Augustine Kimball Merchant 124 Nassau St
Robert Go[e]let Merchant 53 Broadway } To fill the Company

No 42

Jacob R Pentz—Accountant Batavia St To fill the Company.

[177] No 43

John Darkee—Baker Manhattanville
Vc Samuel D Cortwright—Deceased

Fire Hose Company No 1

Lemuel Crawford Grocer Cor Mott & Walker St
Vc George S Marschalk—Time Expired
John C Morrison—Grocer 103 Greenwich St
Vc Alfred Ashfield Do

Fire Hook & Ladder Co

No 4

Charles Good—Baker Bayard St 71 To fill the Company

No 6

Archibald Reid Grocer Cor Houston & Mott To fill the Company

Mr Recorder presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Special Committee on Pauperism.

Resolved that it be referred to the Special Committee on Pauperism to examine and Report such revisions of the Laws on Pauperism as they may deem expedient and also to examine and Report such revisions of the Laws on Pauperism as they may deem expedient and also to examine and Report upon the suggestions contained in the late Report of the Commissioners [178] of the Alms House upon the practicability of improving our present system of poor Laws.

On Motion his Honor the Mayor appointed Mr Rogers Assistant of the 9th Ward on the Ferry Committee to supply the vacancy of Mr Roosevelt who is now absent in Europe.

The Alderman & Assistant of the 12th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Petition for a Well & Pump in 15th Street near Bloomingdale Road presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Alderman and Assistant of the 12th Ward and Street Commissioner to whom was referred the Annexed petition for a Well and Pump in 15th Street near the Bloomingdale Road

Respectfully Report.

That in their opinion a Well & Pump is much required at that place, and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that a Well be dug and built and a Pump erected therein in Fifteenth street near the Bloomingdale Road.

G Lee
Peter Cooper
R Graves

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[179] The Committee on Lands & Places to whom was referred the Petition of Mary Wade for permission to Sell fruit &c in front of the Park presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Lands & Places to whom was referred the Petition of Mary Wade for permission to sell fruit &c in front of the Park

Respectfully Report

That having given the subject their attentive consideration, they are of opinion, that inasmuch as the Common Council have so recently ordered those nuisances to be removed, it would be inexpedient to grant that privilege to an Individual, They therefore offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the Petition of Mary Wade for permission to sell Fruit &c in front of the Park.

James N Wells
Peter Cooper
William Mandeville
William W Mott

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Measurer of Grain in the place of Benjamin Clark deceased presented the following Report in favor of appointing John Vredenbergh to said Office

[180] The Committee on Applications for Office to whom were referred the several applications for the Office of Measurer of Grain.

Respectfully Report.

That they have examined the several applications and have come to the conclusion to Report in favor of John Vredenbergh as a fit and proper person to fill said Office & respectfully submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that John Vredenburgh be and he is hereby appointed a Measurer of Grain in the place of Benjamin Clark Deceased.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
J Lovett
Peter J Nevius

Which was approved the Resolution adopted and John Vredenbergh was appointed to said Office.

A Communication was received from Samuel Lupton resigning the Office of Weigher of Anthracite Coal was read and Accepted.

The Committee on Applications for Office to whom was referred the Petitions for the Office of Weigher of Anthracite Coal in the place of Samuel Lupton resigned presented the following [181] Report in favor of appointing John Van Bussum to said Office.

The Committee on Application for Office to whom was referred the Petitions for the Office of Weigher of Anthracite Coal in the place of Samuel Lupton Resigned Respectfully Report.

That they have examined the several applications and have come to the conclusion to recommend John Van Bussum for that Office and accordingly recommend the following Resolution.

Resolved that John Van Bussum be and he is hereby appointed an Inspector and Weigher of Anthracite Coal.

Respectfully submitted

Bernard J Meserole
John Lovett
Peter J Nevius

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted and John Van Bussum was appointed to said Office.

The Committee on Arts & Sciences to whom was referred the Petitions of B & S Demilt & Edmund Blunt to [be] appointed to the charge of the Observatory in this Hall presented the following Report in favor of B & S Demilt.

The Committee on Arts and Sciences to whom was referred the Petitions of B & S. Demilt and [182] Edmund Blunt praying to be appointed to the charge of the Observatory in this Hall, Beg leave to

Report.

That they have taken the subject into consideration and are of opinion that as Mess^{s} B & S Demilt have been employed to furnish the Clocks, it will be but an Act of Justice to give them into their Charge for a sufficient time fully to prove the quality of the Instruments they have furnished.

We therefore offer the following Resolution

Resolved that Mess^{rs} B & S Demilt be appointed to the charge of the transit Instrument together with the Astronomical and Turret Clock now making for this Hall to the first of January 1833

Peter Cooper
Thomas Jeremiah

Which was approved & the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Burling to have the opening of 5th Avenue between 13th & 21st Streets further postponed presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Thomas Burling to have the opening of the 5th Avenue between 13th & 21st Streets further postponed to the first day of May [183] next respectfully Report

That in the opinion of the Committee, the further delay to open that street would be attended with serious injury to the owners of property in that vicinity precluding some from having access to their residences and others from having the opportunity to fill their sunken grounds so often and so justly complained of as being the cause of much sickness in that neighborhood—They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient further to postpone the opening of the Fifth Avenue between 13th and 21st Streets.

Resolved that the Fifth Avenue be regulated from 13th to 21st Streets and that an Ordinance be passed accordingly.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
John Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have McDougal street paved from 6th to 8th Streets presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have McDougall street paved from 6th Street to 8th Street respectfully Report

[184] That in their opinion that part of McDougal street ought to be paved and accordingly submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that McDougall street be regulated and paved from Sixth street to Eighth street.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
George D Strong
John Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have Side walks of Suffolk street paved between Rivington & Stanton streets presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition to have the side walks of Suffolk street paved between Rivington and Stanton streets Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the Walks of that part of Suffolk street ought to be paved and therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Side walks of Suffolk street be paved between Rivington and Stanton street

Thomas T Woodruff
[185] John Lovett
George D Strong
John Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Edward Price for remuneration for excess of ground taken in widening Madison street presented the following Report against the same.

The Street Committee to whom was referred the annexed Petition of Edward Price for remuneration for excess of ground taken in the widening of Madison street respectfully Report.

That in their opinion it would be inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioner inasmuch as that the opening of that Street was duly confirmed by the Supreme Court in the year 1818, and all concerns settled in that year.

Mr Price the Petitioner was then, and is now the Owner of a Lot of Ground on that Street, and has recently discovered that, from some cause near four feet more of Ground, was taken from his front, than was allowed for by the Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment—The proceedings having been confirmed by the Court and Mr Price not objecting at the time—Your Committee think that he has no claims on this Corporation [186] And therefore submit the following Resolution.

Resolved that it is inexpedient to grant the request of the Petitioner.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Lovett
George D Strong
John Rogers

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred to examine and Report their opinion as to the true construction of the 18th Section of the New Charter presented the following Report

The Special Committee to whom was referred the annexed Resolution directing them to examine and Report their opinion as to the true construction to be given to that Section of the New Charter (framed by a Convention of the People) which requires "that Annual and occasional appropriations shall be made by proper Ordinances of the Common Council for every branch and object of City expenditure."

Respectfully Report.

That they have given all the consideration, which the shortness of the time has enabled them to bestow on the subject, being one of high interest to the future well management of our Municipal concerns.

The Common Council has heretofore [187] in its practice not required the setting apart of its Revenues for the specific objects of City expenditure, But the proper construction of the New Charter does, in the opinion of your Committee, require that this should

now be done. That this opinion is in conformity to the true construction of the 18th Section is obvious, for the language is that by "proper Ordinances the appropriation shall be made for every branch of City Expenditure," not that an appropriation shall be made for the payment of Debts and liabilities incurred, but for objects of expenditure. And if this was not the case how idle would the provisions of the Charter be, which could be satisfied by putting the word appropriate before the word Pay in the Resolution, to take money out of the Treasury.

Having come to this conclusion Your Committee are of opinion that an Ordinance should be passed appropriating the estimated Amount which would be required for the usual City Expenditures, between the present and the time of the New Charter going into effect. Your Committee admit that all the advantages of appropriations for expenditures, cannot be had with the Board as now Organized, Yet your Committee hope, that no inconsiderable advantage will accrue, under the present organization by obliging the Committees of the Board, to make accurate estimates and requiring them to ask the Common Council [188] for specific appropriations for the many new and incidental expenditures of money which the Board will from time to time be called upon to grant.

And many expenditures will be avoided when the whole Cost is fully and fairly put before the Board at the time of their original discussion. But whether this advantage will at present certainly accrue or not, it is nevertheless the duty of the Board to comply with the positive requirements of the Statute.

In preparing the annexed Ordinance for the Common Council the Committee have called to their aid the Comptroller and other Officers of the Board and although the appropriations are not made in as specific a manner as would be desirable, and will leave many subjects for specific occasional appropriations; Yet something will be effected, and it will be laying the foundation of a System which experience and the division of the Common Council, and the organization of Departments, will mature into a more perfect system.

Your Committee by the Ordinance by no means intend that Committees should conclude that they are to make expenditures, because of these general appropriations, but rather that our p[r]actice should be

First. That the Board should meet all usual and common expences by a general appropriation [189] to the object.

Secondly. That the Board itself should pass on all new subjects of expenditure as well as on those not absolutely necessary for carrying into effect objects of expenditure which the Board had previously directed, And that the Act of the Board authorizing the work or undertaking should precede the expenditure.

Your Committee admit that there are small casual expences, particularly those embraced by Repairs, which cannot in every particular be called up and passed upon by the Board; yet it is desirable to increase the class of cases, which the Board are in the habit of acting on, and lessening those on which the Committees are in the practice of acting on as far as possible, and it is hoped our future practice may conform to these suggestions.

In conclusion Your Committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying Ordinance.

Samuel Stevens
G Lee
Isaac Brown

The same having been read considerable Debate arose thereon when on taking the Question on adopting the Report of the Committee the same was carried in the Affirmative, and a Division having been called the Members voted as follows.

[190] In the Affirmative Mr Recorder Ald Nevius Mott Stevens I. Brown Strong B M Brown Wells Lee Palmer Woodruff Mr Seymour Mandeville Bryson Beadle Rogers Jeremiah Dibblee Cooper Lovett Engs 21

In the Negative Ald Seaman 1

The Ordinance accompanying the Report was passed under the title of "A Law making appropriations for City Expenditures."

The Street Commissioner presented the following Ordinances which were passed and Assessors appointed thereto Vizt

For regulating the 5th Avenue from 13st to 21st Street and Shivers Parker, Thomas R Smith [Samuel Gilford] were appointed Assessors.

For paving side walks of Suffolk street from Rivington to Stanton street and Abraham Bloodgood, Cornelius J Roosevelt & Pine Hopkins were appointed Assessors.

[191] For paving McDougal street from 6th to 8th Street and John Lozier, Abraham Baudoine & Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

For a Well & Pump in 15th Street near Bloomingdale Road and Gideon Tucker, Everardus Warner and Gabriel Van Cotts were appointed Assessors.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Lamb to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax presented the following Report against the same.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Petition of Patrick Lamb to be relieved from an erroneous Tax Respectfully

Report

That it appeared by the statement of Mr Lamb that the Tax from which he wished to be relieved was for the year 1829 and as the Collectors Books have been returned the Committee are of the opinion that the Board cannot grant the desired relief—They offer the following Resolution—Resolved that it inexpedient to grant the prayer of the Petitioner.

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

[192] The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Assessment for, and objections against a Well & Pump in Morton near Washington street presented the following Report in favor of the Assessment.

The Committee on Assessments to whom was referred the Assessment for a Well & Pump in Morton near Washington street with objections against the same respectfully Report.

That Mr Alexr Allaire, who was the only remonstrant against the Assessment appeared before the Committee, and stated that he did not consider himself benefitted to the amount for which his property was assessed—From the explanations of the Assessors however, the Committee are satisfied that the amount of Six dollars assessed to Mr Allaire, is just and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Assessment for a Well & Pump in Morton near Washington street be and the same is hereby confirmed.

George D Strong
Henry Arcularius
Jona Seymour

Which was approved, the Resolution adopted, the Assessment confirmed and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector thereof.

[193] The Law Committee to whom was referred the several communications in relation to the proceedings against the Bail of Joshua Mesereau late deputy Sheriff of Richmond County presented

a Report which was read laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members.

A Motion was made to adjourn, which was negatived.

The Report of the Street Committee on the Petition for widening Lombardy street which was laid on the Table on the 6th September last was now called up and read in the words following.

The Street Committee respectfully Report on the annexed Petition and Remonstrances against having Lombardy street widened and improved between Catharine street and Jefferson street, That in their opinion the time has arrived, when the Street ought to be widened agreeably to the plan adopted; and as shewn on the Map or plan of the Rutgers estate, making that street when so widened of the width of Fifty six feet being as originally laid out but Forty feet and as this Street is the only remaining one, that has not been widened as agreed upon and according to the Cession of all the ground to, and accepted by this Corporation belonging to the Rutgers family as may be required for the widening of the said streets. And for as much [194] as that the Buildings and improvements are at present of much less Value, than they probably will be at any future period, and inasmuch as that a great majority of the Owners and lessees of the property to be affected, and [*are*] the petitioners. Your Committee are induced to recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions.

Resolved that Lombardy street between Catharine street and Jefferson street be widened to Fifty six feet and the same is hereby ordered to be done.

Resolved that the Counsel to this Board make the necessary application to the Supreme Court for the Appointment of Commissioners of Estimate and Assessment in the said matter and that the petition for that purpose be authenticated during the recess of the Board.

Thomas T Woodruff
John Rogers
William Scott
John Lovett

Whereupon the Report was approved & the Resolution adopted

Alderman Wells presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner

[195] Resolved that the Street Commissioner Report an Ordinance in favor of sinking a Well & Pump on the corner of Thompson & Bleecker streets.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and Laid on the Table.

Resolved that the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs, be directed to advertise for sealed proposals containing estimates and plans for repairing and remodeling the building lately occupied as the Jail of this City, and that the same be submitted to this Board previous to any contract being entered into.

Alderman Lee presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Superintendant of Repairs.

Resolved that the Superintendant of Repairs examine a Well & Pump in 21st Street between 8th & 9th Avenues and Report to the Common Council on the equity and propriety of taking the same as a Public Well & Pump.

Alderman Stevens presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Law Committee.

Resolved that the Comptroller['s] Cash accounts as passed from time to time by the Board be published [196] in the News papers employed by the Corporation.

Alderman Mott presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Law Committee.

Resolved that the Rules and Orders of the Board be amended by adding the following to the Third rule Vizt "but on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without the leave of the Board unless in explanation.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock—P. M.

[197] In Common Council October 18—1830

Present The Honorable Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
William W Mott	Jonathan Seymour
Samuel Stevens	William Mandeville
Isaac Brown	David Bryson
Anthony Lamb	William Scott
George D Strong	Joseph W Beadle
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	John Lovett
Gideon Lee	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and Approved.

The following Resolution was presented Read and adopted.

Resolved that the Comptroller be authorized to Borrow under the direction of the Finance Committee, [198] whenever it may be deemed necessary any sum not exceeding Twenty five thousand Dollars at a rate of Interest not exceeding Six per Cent per Annum.

The following Ordinance was presented read and passed.

Be it Ordained by the Mayor Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New York in Common Council convened that the sums of money annexed in the following List to the respective heads of City expenditure, be and the same are hereby respectively appropriated to the subjects of City Expenditure to which they are annexed.

For cleaning Streets.....	$9500
Assessing Tax & completing Books.....	5596
Repairs to City Hall.....	2500,

And that this Ordinance continue in force until the new Organization of the Common Council and no longer.

On Motion of Alderman Lamb, George W Arnold was appointed Inspector of the ensuing Election in the 5th Ward in the place of John B Schmelzel who had resigned.

On Motion of Alderman Meserole Joseph Piggott was appointed Inspector of the ensuing [199] Election in the 10th Ward in the place of William M Peck who had resigned.

Alderman Strong presented the following Preamble and Resolutions which were read and adopted.

Whereas this Common Council have received information that early in the evening of the 6th of October instant, Mr Joseph Barnes a highly respectable and orderly Citizen was violently assailed by an unknown coulered man, in Orange street near the "Five points" who appeared to lay in wait for his approach with a large Stone in his hand with which he severely fractured his skull, broke his Collar bone, and otherwise seriously injured him, so that his life is despaired of.

And Whereas, the above outrage exhibits on the part of the Assailant, an evident intention to Assassinate his Victim, which is not only alarming for individual safety, but shows an open and daring defiance of the Laws, that imperitively calls on the civil authorities to take all proper measures to detect and punish the offender—Therefore

Resolved that his Honor the Mayor be authorized to issue his Proclamation offering a reward of Two hundred and fifty Dollars for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrator of the above barbarous outrage.

[200] A Communication was received from John Timpson of the 2d Ward resigning the Office of Inspector of Election in said Ward which was read the Resignation accepted, And on motion of Alderman Mott Horace Holden was appointed in his place.

A Letter was received from John J Mumford Proprietor of the Daily paper called the "Standard" requesting the said Paper may be employed as one of the Corporation Papers which was read and the request was complied with.

A Communication was received from J. F Bacon Clerk of the Court of Errors accompanied with a Resolution of Thanks of said Court for the use of the Common Council Chamber during their late Session in this City was read and ordered to be filed.

The Keeper of the City Prison & Bridewell presented a Report of the number of Prisoners confined therein made agreeably to an Ordinance of the Common Council which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Memorial of the Franklin Fire Insurance Company for relief from erroneous [201] Assessment on their Capital was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of P. J Tobias & others to have Franklin street repaved between Broadway & Chapel street, Also a Remonstrance of Wm R Thompson & others against the same were read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Reuben Rowley praying that a certain judgment on a Recognizance for the appearance of a person who escaped, and has since been apprehended and now in custody may be cancelled, and also that he may be remunerated for expences in said apprehension was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John Moran & a number of others praying that in case a Market be located in the 7th Ward that it may be built above Market street was read and referred to the Market Committee.

Upon Motion of Alderman B M Brown of the 8th Ward Ezra S Conner was appointed Inspector of the ensuing Election in the said Ward in the place of Stuart F Randolph resigned.

[202] A Petition of William L Reeves and others for a passage or Gangway across Essex Market, also a Remonstrance of Gilbert Graham & others against the same were read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Orville Nash for permission to transfer Stall No 2 Franklin Market to George Merkle Junr was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of E Marshal for Stall N° 26 Catharine Market was read and referred to the Market Committee

A Petition of George Kaylor to be appointed to any Office in the Gift of the Common Council was read and referred to the Committee on applications for Office.

A Petition of William Brevoort & others for a Well & Pump corner of Bowery & 10th Street was read and referred to the Alderman & Assistant of the Ward & Street Commissioner.

A Petition of Isaac Coutant & others to have 7th Street between 2d & 3d Avenues lighted [203] with Lamps was read and referred to the Lamp Committee.

A Petition of Reynolds Sherman & others to have 16th Street from 8th to 9th Avenue paved was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Asahel Langworthy & others residing in the vicinity of Rose Hill praying for the abatement of a Nuisance occasioned by a Pond of Stagnant Water in that neighborhood was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of William B Lewis of the 6th Ward for a reduction of Tax on the House & Lot which he occupies was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Thomas R Ludlum & others to have Union place opened in the vicinity of the intersection of Broadway & Bowery was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Henry Brevoort and others to have Bowery Road regulated between 13th & 17th Street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[204] A Petition of the Tradesmens Bank for remission of Tax on their Capital was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Stephen Smith & others to have vacant Lots fenced in between 5th & 6th Streets and Lewis street and East River was read and referred to the City Inspector.

A Petition of David Bryson for a Gore of Land on 11th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of Timothy Green to be relieved from the payment of an erroneous Tax on his personal property was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

A Petition of Members of Fire Engine Company N° 18 for a New Engine House was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the Resignations were Accepted & appointments made Viz[t]

[205] N° 3

William H Feilding Printer 62 James Slip
John Cairnes—Butcher 6 Delancy S[t]
John M[c]Andrew—Brass founder 21 Prince S[t]
} To fill the Company

N° 4

George T Pittenger—Cabinet Maker 58 Norfolk S[t]
V[c] Henry B Cook—Resigned

N° 5

William B Barber Hatter Grand S[t]
V[c] Daniel S Woodruff—Time Expired

N° 6

Robert Sanderson—Carpenter 470 Broome S[t]
Charles Fountain Sail Maker 42 Leonard S[t]
} To fill the Company.

N° 7

Allen Waddell—House Painter 274 Mott S[t] To fill the Company

N° 8

Mathias Decker Cooper, Vesey S[t] To fill the Company

N° 11

Robert G Cloyd—Ship wright 17 Carlisle To fill the Company
[206] Samuel Ratcliff Printer 163 William S[t] To fill the Company

N° 22

Gilbert G Smith Ship wright 41 Hamilton S[t]
V[c] Andrew T Carpenter Time Expired

N° 33

Henry Gillen 22 Willet S[t] V[c] Jeremiah Bunce—Time Expired
John W *Fielding* [Fielder] Grocer 411 Lombardy S[t]
V[c] John Spencer Left the City

N° 34

Jesse Allen Sash Maker 39 Jones S[t] To fill Company.

N° 40

William Sinclair Painter 171 Mulberry S[t]
V[c] John White—Resigned

William Pullis Mason 150 Elizabeth St

V^c Absolum Travers
John J Low } Resigned
John Palmer

N° 41

Benjamin G Whitmore Blacksmith N° 1 Attorney St
William H Weeks Shoemaker 80 Essex Street
Seaman Wright Cartman 87 Willet Street } To fill the Company
Samuel Jewell Cartman 18 Suffolk Street
William Scott Shoemaker 169 Broom St

[207] N° 42

David Logan—Clerk 62 Essex St To fill Company

Fire Hose Company N° 1

Charles L Carpenter Grocer Cor North & Bowery
To fill Company

Fire Hook & Ladder C°

N° 2

William J Woram upholsterer 100 Reed St To fill Company

N° 4

Samuel Valleau Sail Maker 66 Mott St To fill Company

N° 5

William Barker Coach Maker: Cor Delancy & Attorney St
To fill Company

N° 6

William Sherwood—Painter
Cor Spring & Crosby St } To fill Company
Abraham G. L Titus—Painter 95 Canal St

The Counsel presented the following Report on subject of Leases for Lots sold 13th October 1828

The Counsel to the Board Respectfully presents herewith Five Leases for Lots or pieces of Land sold for Assessments on the 13th of October 1828 [208] and for which Certificates were given to the purchasers—The said Leases are made to the following parties viz^t

Three to William B Astor

One to the United States Fire Insurance Company Assigns of John Van Boskirk

One to Abraham R Lawrence Assignee of John L Mason.

The following Resolution is respectfully submitted

Resolved that the Leases above mentioned be authenticated in the usual manner during the recess of the Board.

R Emmet

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Counsel presented the following Report relative to applying for the appointment of a Commissioner in the matter of closing Southampton & Warren Roads in the place of James Fairlie Esq[r] deceased

The Counsel of the Board begs leave Respectfully to Report, that James Fairlie Esq[r] one of the Commissioners in the matter of closing Southampton Road from Fifteenth to Twenty first street and Warren Road from seventeenth to Twenty first street departed this life on the 10[th] day of October instant.

It becomes necessary that the Board, should [209] direct an application to be made to the Supreme Court for the appointment of a Commissioner in the place of M[r] Fairlie, The following Resolution is therefore submitted.

Resolved that the Counsel of the Board apply to the Supreme Court for the appointment of a Commissioner in the place and stead of James Fairlie deceased.

Resolved that the Clerk authenticate the necessary papers in the usual manner

R Emmet

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted

The Street Commissioner presented the following Assessments which were confirmed and Collectors appointed thereto Viz[t]

For paving Twenty first Street from Eighth to Ninth Avenue and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For paving the Eighth Avenue from 13[th] to 21[st] Street and John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For paving Hall street from Sixth to Seventh street and John Hanmer appointed Collector

For paving Side walks in Bleecker street between Hancock & Downing streets and [210] John Hanmer appointed Collector.

For regulating 6[th] Street between Avenue D and Lewis street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For repaving Stone street from Broad to Whitehall Street and Thomas Cottrell appointed Collector.

For paving Side walks of Third Avenue between Sixth and Eighth streets and John Hanmer was appointed Collector

The Street Commissioner presented a Return of Delinquents on the Assessment for a Well & Pump in North street between Willet and Pitt street—Warrant directed to issue to Thomas Cottrell the Collector thereof.

The Finance Committee presented the following Report on subject of remitting the Ground Rent of the Mechanics Society in Chamber street.

Whereas at a Meeting of the Common Council on the 21st June last, a Resolution appended to a Report of the Finance Committee was passed remitting to the Mechanics Society the ground rent [211] in Chamber street on which the Mechanics School and Apprentices Library is erected for the term of Seven years from the first of May last, and did appropriate the said Ground rent for the purchase of Books for the said Library. And Whereas the Finance Committee who reported the Resolution did intend the first of November last instead of the first of May—Therefore

Resolved that the term of Rent remitted by said Resolution commence on the first day of November last instead of the first of May last

Offered by the Finance Committee
W Seaman
Wm W Mott
G Lee
Benjamin M Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted

The Lamp and Gas Committees to whom was referred the subject of changing the manner of purchasing Oil presented the following Report.

The Lamp & Gas Committees to whom was referred the following Resolution offered by Mr Assistant Engs on the 25th January 1830—viz

" Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Lamps and Gas Light, to enquire and Report to this Board, on the expediency of so changing the present mode of purchasing Oil for the City Lamps, as to [212] make Contracts for the same for the term of one year."

Beg leave to Report

That they have had the subject under their consideration and have caused proposals to be issued for supplying the City with Oil for one year; the result of which is as follows. They have had one offer made to furnish the quantity required viz 40,000 Gallons at the average price of 81⅔ Cents per Gallon—One, at 67½ Cents per

Gallon. One at 66⅓ cents per Gallon. One at 64⅔ Cents per Gallon. And one at 58 Cents per Gallon.

There has been used for the past year 35,843 Gallons of Oil, which cost $23.873,1/100 making the average price of 66½ Cents per Gallon. Taking the past year as a guide, the same Quantity at 58 Cents per Gallon, the lowest price offered by the Estimates will make a saving if the Oil is purchased by contract for the year of only $3,084 7/100 and on 40,000 Gallons the quantity to be contracted for of $3,400

Your Committee beg further to state that they at present invite all the Oil Dealers in the City to send in samples of their Oil with estimates monthly, which Estimates are opened in the presence of the Committee, and the person who exhibits the best Oil for the lowest price gets the order for the Month—And further, that there is no accommodation at present in the Oil House for receiving a larger [213] Quantity as the Cisterns will not hold more than 1500 Gallons —Your Committees are therefore of opinion that it is more advisable to continue in the present mode of contracting to furnish Oil for the City by the Month and thereby evade the risk of loss by leakage bad bargains failures of Contracts &c

All of which is respectfully submitted

James N Wells
Wm W Mott
W Seaman
Fyler Dibblee
Thomas T Woodruff
R Riker
P. W Engs

Which was approved.

The Committee on Repairs to whom was referred the subject of placing an Iron Pump & fixtures in the Well near Cedar street in William street presented a Report, which was read and Laid on the Table for further consideration.

The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Andrew Killenger Joseph B Smith, Elbert Concklin, James Reeves & William Reeves for Butchers Licences presented the following Report in favor of the same.

[214] The Market Committee to whom was referred the Petitions of Andrew Killenger, of James J Titus, of George Hoyt of James L Reeves and William Reeves Respectfully Report.

That [as] the Petitions are accompanied with the usual transfers

and Certificates of qualification they accordingly offer for the consideration of the Common Council the following.

Resolved that a Butchers Licence be granted

to Andrew Kellinger for Stall N° 10 Grand Street Market
to Elbert Concklin for Stall N° 57 Fulton Market
to Joseph B Smith for Stall N° 51 Fulton Market
to William L Reeves for Stall N° 8 Essex Market
to James Reeves for Stall N° 5 Greenwich Market

Respectfully submitted

Benjamin M Brown
W Seaman
B. J. Meserole
Jon[a] Seymour

Which was approved and the Resolution Adopted.

The Ferry Committee to whom was referred the Petitions complaining of the Conduct of the Williamsburgh Ferry Company presented a Report which was read—Laid on the Table and directed to be printed for the use of the Members—It was also directed that it be made the order of the day at the next meeting of the Board.

[215] The Joint Committees of Public Offices & Repairs to whom was referred the Resolution of the Recorder authorising suitable apartments to be prepared in the Old Alms House for the accommodation of the Criminal Courts presented the following Report.

The joint Committee consisting of the Committees on Public Offices and Repairs to whom was referred the Resolution of the Recorder, authorising the Committees to prepare suitable Apartments in the Westerly end of the Old Alms House for holding the Criminal Courts of the City and for the accommodation of the grand and Petit Jurors, the District Attorney the Clerk of said Courts the Police Office & others connected with the same. Respectfully Report

That it appears to the Committee that the time has arrived when it has become necessary for the Board to decide the Question, as to the removal of the said Courts from the City Hall, they have therefore maturely considered the Resolution referred to them and are of opinion that the Public interest and convenience would be materially promoted by having said Courts and the Offices connected therewith placed adjacent to each other & as the Old Alms House will afford ample accommodation for the purpose they are of opinion that they ought to be removed to that building.

There appears to be some doubt however whether these Courts can be removed under the [216] existing Laws, it will be seen by an examination of the Act of the Legislature of this State in relation to the Criminal Courts of this City passed April 14th 1829 "that the Common Council are authorized to assign such place in the said City other than the City Hall, as to them may seem most conducive to the Public convenience for holding the Courts of General Sessions, and of Oyer & Terminer & Goal delivery to be held in and for the said City & County provided such alteration of the place of holding said Courts shall before the same shall take place be notified in one or more of the Public Newspapers in said City for a period of not less than four weeks" In conformity with this Law, the Common Council did by Ordinance assign the Building formerly Known as the Rotunda under the denomination of the Sessions Hall, as the place where these Courts should be held; having thus fulfilled the object of the Law, the power of the Common Council over the subject must have ceased— If there should be any doubt that this is the true construction of that Act a reference to the Law passed February *30th* [20th] 1830 in relation to certain proceedings in criminal cases in the City of New York, will remove that doubt.

By that Act it is declared "that it shall be lawful for the Common Council by Ordinance to provide from time to time as the public [217] convenience may require, that the Circuit Court and Court of Oyer & Terminer and Jail delivery, and general and Special Sessions to be held in and for the said City and County shall be held either at the City Hall of said City, or at the Building in said City Known as the Sessions Hall, and unless otherwise provided by such Ordinance the said Courts respectively may, by an Order to be entered upon their Minutes from time to time, direct the holding of said Courts at either of said places" Thus limiting the Sessions of those Courts to those two buildings.

Your Committee are of opinion that notwithstanding this obstacle to an immediate removal of said Courts, the Old Alms House ought to be prepared for their reception and for that of the Offices connected with them & that application ought to be made to the Legislature for the requisite authority for their removal to said building.

With respect to the Police Office the Common Council have power to place it where they may think proper, and your Committee are decidedly of opinion that it ought to be removed from its present situation as soon as practicable.

Your Committee therefore propose for the consideration of the Board the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Committee on Public Offices and Repairs be authorized to prepare suitable apartments in the West end of the Old Alms House [218] for the holding of the Criminal Courts of this City and for the accommodation of the Grand and Petit Jurors, the District Attorney and Clerk of said Courts, the Police Office and others connected with the same and that the sum of Two thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for such purpose.

Resolved that it be referred to the Committee on applications to the Legislature for the passage of an Act authorising the Removal of said Courts to the aforesaid building.

Anthony Lamb
James N Wells
Thomas T Woodruff
David Bryson
Wm Mandeville
Thos Jeremiah

It *is* was moved to strike out the "appropriation" in the first Resolution which was agreed to. Alderman Stevens moved that there be added at the end of the first Resolution "And that the expences thereof shall not exceed the sum of Two thousand Dollars," which was agreed to—The question was then taken on the Report and Resolutions, and they were adopted.

Mr Engs presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Watch Committee

[219] Resolved that the subject of providing Accommodations for the first District Watch in the West end of the Building known as the Old Alms House be referred to the Watch Committee to Report thereon.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Elizabeth Pearson for a balance paid into the Treasury belonging to the Estate of her late husband presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Elizabeth Pearson widow of Thomas R Pearson deceased praying for a balance of Seventeen dollars and Seventy nine cents paid into the treasury by Benjamin Prince the late Public Administrator as belonging to the intestate Estate of her late husband.

Respectfully Report.

That they have caused enquiry to be made respecting this claim and have every reason to believe that the circumstances set forth in the Petition are correct Viz—that the applicant is the widow of the said Thomas R Pearson, that he left no children, and that the said sum has been paid into the Treasury as the balance remaining of his estate—They are of opinion therefore that the prayer of the Petition should be granted and submit the following Resolution.

[220] Resolved that the above sum of $17,79/100 be paid to the Petitioner, and that a Warrant be Reported for that purpose, on her giving Bond with surety to be approved by the Counsel of the Board to refund the same in case it should hereafter appear that she is not entitled thereto

W Seaman
Benjamin M Brown
G Lee.

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the several Petitions for the Office of Wood Inspector presented the following Report in favor of appointing Moses Brush to the 1st District

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips beg leave to state, that a vacancy exists in the 1st Wood District, occasioned by the death of Mr Marschalk from among the Petitioners they have selected and recommend Moses Brush as a fit person for that Office, and offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that Moses Brush be and is hereby appointed an Inspector of Fire Wood on the 1st Wood district in place of Mr Marschalk deceased

John Lovett
Joseph W Beadle
[221] Isaac Brown
Anthony Lamb

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted and he was appointed accordingly.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of extending the Pier at the foot of Oliver street presented the following Report in favor of the same.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred

the subject of extending the Pier at the foot of Oliver street by adding thereto a Block and a Bridge Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the extension of that Pier is necessary to afford sufficient accommodation for the Vessels frequenting the adjoining Slips, and as the Piers at James and Catharine Slips have been recently lengthened seventy feet each, there appears to be a propriety of extending the intermediate Pier at Oliver street as well to afford greater accommodations, as to prevent the deposit of Ice resulting from the aforesaid Piers forming an Eddy in the tide between them and thereby preventing the ingress and egress of Vessels in the Winter season. This Pier is the joint property of this Corporation and of the Individuals in its vicinity—The whole cost of extending it would not exceed Two thousand Dollars One third of which sum would only have to be paid [222] by this Board—Your Committee would therefore recommend that the aforesaid Pier be extended by adding a Block and a Bridge thereto provided the individuals interested therein unite with this Corporation in the expence thereof, and they accordingly recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Pier at the foot of Oliver street be extended Seventy feet by adding a block and bridge thereto. Provided that the individual owners and proprietors therein unite with this Corporation in defraying their just proportion of the expence thereof.

John Lovett
Anthony Lamb
Isaac Brown

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips to whom was referred the subject of building a Pier in the North River at the foot of King street presented the following Report in favor of the same

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of building a Pier or Wharf into the North or Hudson river at the foot of King street

Respectfully Report

That in their opinion the interests of this Corporation as well as Public accommodation [223] require that a Pier should be built at that place. The Pier at Charlton street affords the only security for Vessels between Spring and Christopher streets a distance of more than Two thousand feet—The Block of ground between Charlton and King street belongs to this Corporation, by building the contemplated Pier a Basin will be formed immediately in front of their premises and the wharfage

wholly accrue to this Corporation as well as the increased value to their Lots. As has been reported by the Street Commissioner to this Board Mr Astor refuses to unite in building the said Pier. Your Committee would therefore recommend that it be built at the Public expence. The estimated Cost will not exceed Eight thousand dollars and probably considerably less the length and size of the Pier to correspond with that at Charlton street. Upon due deliberation your Committee are convinced of the propriety of having a Pier built at the place above designated And that estimates be received therefor, and a contract entered into the present season, and the work commenced as early in the ensuing Spring as the weather and other circumstances will permit, as it is believed that such Contract may be made on much better terms at the present than by delaying it until the next year. From the foregoing considerations your Committee recommend the Adoption of the following Resolutions

[224] Resolved that a Pier or Wharf be built at the foot of King street to extend Two hundred and fifty feet into the Hudson river with an Ell correspon[d]ing with the Pier at the foot of Charlton street.

Resolved that the Street Commissioner receive Estimates for building the said Pier and Contract for the same to be built the ensuing Spring

John Lovett
Anthony Lamb
Isaac Brown
Joseph W Beadle

Which was approved and the Resolution adopted.

Mr Engs gave notice of Reconsideration at the next Meeting of the Board.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of employing Marshals to attend the different Courts presented the following Report which was read, amended & adopted as follows

The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of employing Marshals to attend on the different Courts, established in the City Hall and also for serving Subpoenas on Witnesses and to Report some mode by which they shall be employed in future, beg leave to state that by Statute it is the duty of the Sheriff to summon as many [225] Constables or Marshall's as he may deem necessary for the Business of the Court. Your Committee have endeavoured to collect information on this subject from persons familiar with the Arrangements of the respective Courts, and the duties to be performed in

relation to the same; and from the result of their examinations it appears to them that the Compensation allowed for serving Subpoenas is reasonable and ought to be continued: But that the number of Marshals attending Courts may be curtailed, consistent with the due administration of Public justice, and as this subject is entirely within the controul of the respective Courts they respectfully suggest to the Courts the propriety of reducing the number of Marshals attending these Courts as follows viz[t]

General Sessions	Twelve
Superior Court	Four
Circuit Court	Four
Oyer & Terminer	Six
Special Sessions	Five
Common Pleas	Four

If this regulation is adopted, it is believed that the public service can be fairly and faithfully discharged and a large amount annually saved to the City. Therefore Resolved that the above Report be Adopted

William Mandeville
Fyler Dibblee
Thomas T Woodruff
Benjamin M Brown

[226] And it was Resolved that the Judges of the respective Courts be respectfully requested to conform to those regulations as far as the Public business will permit.

The City Inspector presented the following Report of Ordinances for correction of sundry Nuisances.

The City Inspector respectfully Reports the following Ordinances for correcting Nuisances Viz[t]

N[o] 1.	Estate W[m] Edgar Dec[d]	owner	E side Mangin S[t]	Lots
2.	D[o]	D[o]	N side do	D[o]
3.	Samuel Ward	D[o]	S side Fourth S[t]	D[o]
4.	Thomas Burling	D[o]	between Bloomingdale & 5 Avenue	D[o]
5.	Oliver Mathews	D[o]	W side First S[t]	D[o]
6.	John ONiel	D[o]	125 Elizabeth S[t]	Privy
7.	Elizabeth Smith	D[o]	95 Cherry	D[o]
8.	D[o]	D[o]	97 D[o]	D[o]
9.	Isaac Lawrence	D[o]	4 Wall S[t]	D[o]

I Warren City Inspector

Which were passed.

The City Inspector presented the following Ordinance which was passed and Assessors appointed thereto Viz[t]

To fence in vacant Lots fronting on the Westerly side of Thompson street and Easterly side of Sullivan street, and between Prince and Houston streets, and Northerly side of Prince street between [227] Thompson and Sullivan streets and John Lozier Abraham Baudoine and Jacob S Baker were appointed Assessors.

He also presented the following Ordinances

To fill in sunken Lots fronting on the Westerly side of Thompson street and Easterly side of Sullivan street between Prince and Houston streets at the Public expence, that a Lien on the premises be taken for such expence Which was passed.

To fill in sunken Lots situate between Bloomingdale Road and Sixth Avenue and between Seventeenth & Nineteenth streets at the Public expence and that Lien be taken on the premises for such expence. Which was passed.

An Invitation was received from the Building Committee of the Northern Dispensary to attend the Ceremony of laying the corner Stone of their Building was read and Accepted.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the complaint against Fire Engine C[o] N[o] 21 which was Laid on the Table on the 11[th] Inst was called up and read—An additional Report was also presented and read—After considerable Debate the Reports together with some Documents read in the course of the Debate by M[r] Dibblee were referred back to the Committee.

[228] The Comptroller presented the following Cash Account.

Balance as per Account 4th Instant	79.09
Rec[d] for Tax of 1830	15.200.
" " Streets	2.664.
" " Rents	2.482.50
" " ½ Lottery Licences rec[d] of the Mayor	1.000.
" " Commutation Alien Passengers	590.
" " Justices Courts	572.08
" " Tavren Licence	510.
" " Wells & Pumps	74.
" " Mayoralty fees	24.37
Loan of Mechanics Bank authorised 18th Oct[r] on Act[t]	3.400.
	$26.596.04

54 Accounts Audited & directed to be Paid

Blauvelt & Stewart—Watch	1st	Dist		1386.
Asten & Field	D[o]	2d	"	994.
Stagg & Herring	D[o]	3d	"	945.

George B Smith Asst St Comr 1 Qr Salary 15 Octr.....	500.
J Morton Clerk C C for Hack Accounts.....	36.
R Stephens extra service as Asst C Police 25 July to 27th Sept	93.32
Wm D Hughes sunday service 14 Ward 27 days to 11 Octr	40.50
James King do 26 days to 1st Octr	39.
Abm Leggett Superdt Mud Scow 2 weeks to 17th Octr.....	275.36
J M Bloodgood Supedt Streets sweeping Public grounds...	500.
Wm Murlock Atty for Pat McPake satisfaction of Judgment violation of Corporation Law in 1829 reversed by Superior Court	83.94
[229] P Smith bal reg & pavg West St fm Spring to Hamersly St	593.79
P. Smith bal repavg Dey St fm. Broadway to Greenwich St.	82.42
Thos R Ludlum Surveys &c 9 Months 1 Octr.....	236.76
Wm B Doughty Do Do	169.39
S Morris repairs Culverts Grand & Canal Sts.....	22.70
A Colten repairs Intersections 14 Ward.....	4.20
Abm Storms 3d payt builds Addition to Piers James Slip...	783.33
J. R Livingston return Costs 4 Lots Elizabeth St sold 13th Octr 1828 Redeemed	16.
L L Gouverneur return Costs 1 Lot Governeur St sold Do Do	4.
P McGlinn bal for Well 14th St near 6th Avenue.....	30.
D Harren bal Do Grove near Bleecker St.....	29.25
M Tally 709 Loads Earth at Market place Weehawken St..	28.36
R Graves St Comr Actt Expences Lands & Places.....	250.
R Graves Do bal appropriation for repairs Bridge at Harlem	100.
R Graves Do Actt McAdamizing 3d Avenue.....	1000.
J Pollock Actt gravelling 8th Avenue fm 21st St 2 miles North	1000.
Jas Blackwell interest on Bond $17.000 at 5 pr Cent 1 Qr 15 Octr	212.50
C Mapes Treasr Institution Deaf & Dumb 1 Qr 13 Octr....	412.50
Jacob P Roome Super Repairs Actt repairing & cleaning City Hall	1213.
J. P. Roome Do Fire Department....	1076.
J. P. Roome Do Repairs	673.
J. P. Roome Do Docks & Slips.....	600.
J. P. Roome Do Pumps	533.
J. P. Roome Do late Debtors Jail....	300.
J Johnson & J Manning Assessg Tax of 1830 & Jury list 1st Ward	428.
J Leonard & J Sutphin Do " "	432.
[230] J Graham & N C Griffith Do 3d "	420.
P McCartee & G C Morgan Do 4th "	428.
A Journeay & L Warner Do 5th "	428.
E Burrell & J Heath Do 6th "	428.

D Dusenberry & C Fordham Assessg Tax of 1830 & Jury list		7th Ward	418.	
A D Stephens & D Vandevoort	Do	8th "	424.	
J Pangburn & G Weed	Do	9th "	422.	
S Purdy & W H Peck	Do	10th	428.	
H P Robertson & S Gage	Do	11th	428.	
J F Lawrence & J L Varian	Do	12th	414.	
I Halsey & O Newcomb Jr	Do	13th	422.	
J Aims & E Dean	Do	14	426.	
G N Bleecker Completeing Tax Books 1830 Audited by Finance Comte			350.	
R Graves St Comr Actt Repairs Roads			500.	
R Graves do 1 Qr Salary 1 Octr			500.	
Arthur Burtis Superdt Alms House for Alms House			5000.	26.575.32
		Balance		$20.72

Board adjourned to Monday next at 5 OClock P M

[231] In Common Council October 25. 1830

Present The Honbl Richard Riker Recorder President

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	Jonathan Seymour
William W Mott	William Mandeville
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Isaac Brown	Henry Arcularius
Anthony Lamb	William Scott
George D Strong	Joseph W Beadle
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Cooper
Gideon Lee	John Lovett
James Palmer	Philip W Engs
Thomas T Woodruff	

The reading of the Minutes of the last meeting were dispensed with.

A Petition of sundry Persons praying to have Lamps placed on Third Avenue as far up as 28th Street was read and referred to the Lamp Committee.

[232] A Petition of Joseph Lent to be appointed to take charge of and drive the Public Carriage from the Police with Prisoners to the City Prison was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House.

A Petition of Enrice Causici for permission to occupy a Room to cast a Statute of Washington in, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Offices with powers.

A Communication was received from Francis E Phelps on the subject of supplying the City with pure and wholesome Water was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department and Water Committee.

A Petition of John Fox & others for a Well & Pump in King street near Varick Street was read and referred to the Alderman and Assistant of the Ward and Street Commissioner.

A Petition of M^rs Shields to be relieved from a Fine for selling Liquors without Licence was read and referred to the Police Committee

[233] A Petition of the Debtors confined in the Jail of the City for a supply of Fuel was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House with a request that they will grant the prayer of the Petition

A Petition of Charles Holt and others for a Cross walk on the South west side of Canal street across Varick street was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Memorial of the Lyceum of Natural History for a Lease of the Rotunda at a Reasonable rent was read and referred to the Finance Committee and Committee on Public Offices.

A Petition of several Masters of Market Vessels doing business at new Slip praying that larger vessels may be prohibited from lying in that place, was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

A Petition of William Hamilton Jun^r for the postponement of a Sale of Lots for the payment of the Assessment for opening 14^th and 15^th Streets was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

[234] A Petition of David P Hall for apportionment of Assessment on opening 5^th Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Remonstrance of Frederick Webber & others against the renewal of the Lease of the Williamsburgh Ferry was read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Richard Beckwith & others owners of property on 3^d Street for paving the same from Avenue D to C was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of W^m Bradford & others for paving side Walks of 2^d Street from Avenue C to Avenue D was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of the Members of Union Fire Company N° 18 for a permanent location for their Engine House was read and referred to the Committee on Fire Department.

A Petition of J Mangam & others to have side walks of Wooster street between Bleecker and Amity street paved was read and referred to [235] the Street Committee.

A Petition of John Deavenport for the Office of Weighmaster of the Public Hay Scales at Tompkins Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of H Bostwick to be released from the payment of Personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee of Assessments.

A Petition of the Masters of Hudson River Sloops at and in the vicinity of Albany Basin praying that the Wharves of the same may be ordered to be cleared was read and referred to the Committee on Wharves Piers & Slips.

M^r^ Rogers presented the following Resolution which was read and agreed to.

Resolved that the Superintendent of Repairs be ordered to re-number 4^th^ Street.

M^r^ Rogers presented the following which was read and referred to the Watch Committee

Resolved that the Watch be increased in the 9^th^ Ward.

[236] The Report of the Law Committee on subject of the proceedings against the Bail of Joshua Mersereau Deputy Sheriff of Richmond County presented on the 11^th^ Instant and laid on the Table was now on motion called up and read as follows.

The Law Committee to which have been referred several communications in relation to the proceedings against the bail of Joshua Mersereau late Deputy Sheriff of Richmond County

Report

That in the summer of 1826 one William Curran arrived here from Cork as master of the Brig Irene, and violated the Laws of this State in landing certain Alien Passengers: That M^r^ Philip Hone the then Mayor of the City on advisement with the then and present Recorder directed the Attorney of the Board to issue process against Captain Curran which was accordingly done and M^r^ Mersereau, the Sheriff of Richmond County was directed to serve it. The process was served on Curran while on board his Vessel lying between Staten Island and New Jersey. Curran was under the process brought to the City. The authorities of New Jersey, either at the instance of Curran, or of

their own motion, issued process against Mersereau the Deputy for the service of the New York process on Curran in the waters and Jurisdiction of their [237] State as they alledge. Out of the conflicting claims to jurisdiction of the respective State to the waters adjacent, this difficulty has arisen.

The authorities of New Jersey prosecuted this suit, threatening Mersereau with imprisonment in their state prison for seven years, and for default of appearance the amount of the Bail is claimed in lieu of the imprisonment of one of our Citizens.

The history of this transaction from the Counsel of the Board, accompanies this Report, and makes it unnecessary for the Committee to further enter into the procedings of the suit. The farms and property of the securities has been levied on and will be sold unless we take from our City treasury and place in the treasury, of the State of New Jersey, between seven and eight thousand dollars. This mode may procure money, but we doubt if it will settle state rights or questions of jurisdiction, and it may lead to retaliation certainly to be avoided, as its tendency would be to create feelings between neighbours injurious to both.

Your Committee have deliberated on another branch of this subject, that is how far it is the duty of the Board to exonerate or indemnify the bail, or the individuals to whom the Bail look for their indemnification.

The Common Council will perceive by the statement from the Counsel, that the board acted [238] on the subject of indemnity with closed doors, and the minute of that meeting is not now to be found probably it has been used by some Committee and not returned to the Clerk of the Board. To supply the place of these minutes, a note was addressed to Thomas Bolton Esq^{r} then a member of the Law Committee, and for the further information of the board, his answer, and a Certificate appended thereto from Judge Schieffelin of the Marine Court, also a Member of the then Law Committee accompany this Report.

By these communications it will appear that the Board actually engaged to indemnify the then Mayor, but if they had not, and this obligation of the Board were now for the first time taken into consideration, it would appear;

First—That the suit against Cap^{t} Curran was commenced by the Officers of the Board, and in our Corporate name.

Second—That the said suit against Curran was one in which neither

our Officers nor any individual had any interest; the City alone was concerned to prosecute.

Third—That the Mayor in directing Capt Curran to be sued, acted within the scope of his official authority.

Fourth—That justice and equity require the City to indemnify its Officers, acting as they were in good faith for the City, and within the scope of [239] their authority that the parties so acted in this instance is beyond all doubt.

Your Committee are therefore of opinion that a Memorial should be presented to the Legislature of New Jersey for the refunding this Money, and that a Memorial should also be presented to the Legislature of the State of New York for the settlement of the question of the jurisdiction of these waters; and also that the State make good our loss in the prosecution of these suits, being an expence which the City has been made liable for by reason of a Deputy Sheriff serving a State process in waters claimed exclusively by this State.

Your Committee in conclusion offer the following Resolution.

Resolved that the Comptroller Report a Warrant at the next Meeting of the Board in favor of John Leveridge Esqr for the sum of Seven thousand and Sixty six dollars and twenty three Cents for the settlement of the suits against the Bail of Joshua Mersereau, and that the same be paid from the appropriation of the contingent fund

Samuel Stevens
Fyler Dibblee
Gideon Lee
William Seaman

The Letter from Thomas Bolton Esqr together with the Certificate of Judge Schieffelin were as follows

[240] New York October 9. 1830

Dear Sir

Your favor of this day is now before me, in which you ask what took place in the secret Session of the Common Council in October 1826 in reference to the imprisonment of Mr Mersereau Sheriff of Richmond County, arrested at Amboy, for serving process on a Master of a Vessel who had landed passengers in violation of the Laws of this State, and how far the then Mayor acted under the advice and direction of the Common Council, and if any, what Resolution was passed for his indemnity.

In answer to these inquiries permit me to say that I am not at this time able to state whether the injunction of secrecy has ever been

removed, and of course how far I am at liberty to speak on this subject. But inasmuch as your letter is official, I will state what I now recollect in relation to this matter. You will act accordingly.

The first I now recollect to have heard on this subject, was when the Law Committee was charged with a verbal communication made by Mr Hone in relation to this arrest. That Committee I believe reported on the matters referred. On the coming in of this report, or at some other meeting of the Board (I now think it was at the secret Session you refer to) much was said in reference to this unpleasant [241] controversy between us and New Jersey. Mr Hone with a view of accommodating the Board or Committee offered his name and responsibility to any extent which might be required, provided the Board would promise to indemnify him. This offer was immediately accepted by the Board but whether by a written or verbal resolution I am not now able to say, though I am clear in my recollection that the indemnity to Mr Hone was to be to the full extent which he might be called upon by the Laws of New Jersey to enter into—Mr Van Wyck was the Chairman of the Law Committee, and was charged by the Committee with the details, he employed one or more agents to go to New Jersey on this subject, and from time to time informed me of the progress made. I understood that Mr Hone had entered into Bonds, or in some other way had become responsible in relation to this arrest, and I never for one moment have supposed that any doubt existed as to Mr Hones right to a full and complete indemnity. This I know was Mr Van Wycks opinion also, and I have not any doubt but he supposed that it clearly appeared among the Records of the Common Council. I certainly did think so.

I am Dear sir with respect

Your Obt Servant

Samuel Stevens Esqr Thomas Bolton

I fully concur in the above statement made by Mr Bolton and would only add that I [242] was a Member of the Law Committee at the time.

Effingham Scheiffelin

The Statement from the Counsel was as follows.

In obedience to the directions of the Law Committee I have examined the subject of Mr Leveridges communication presented to the Board on the 14th June instant, and the following appear to be the material facts of the case to which it refers.

In the summer of 1826, the brig Irene commanded by William

Currin arrived from Cork at Amboy in New Jersey, with a number of passengers on board. The Vessel was entered at Amboy, but the passengers (about fifty in number) were put on board a small Sloop and sent up to this City, and were landed on the State Prison Dock. A complaint being made to Philip Hone Esq[r] then Mayor of this City, a suit was directed to be brought against the Captain in the name of the Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty, a writ was accordingly issued by the Attorney of the Board, in the Supreme Court, directed to the Sheriff of Richmond County, the Vessel being then anchored in the stream between Amboy and Staten Island. The Captain was arrested on board the vessel by Joshua Mersereau a deputy Sheriff of Richmond County, and at his own request was brought to this City, where he was lodged in Jail. [243] A satisfactory arrangement having however been made with him, he was discharged in a few days. Shortly afterwards, M[r] Mersereau being in Amboy on other business, was arrested on the charge of having (by executing the above process against Captain Currin) violated an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey passed 3[d] December 1807; by the second section of which it is enacted "That if any person not authorized under the authority of the State or of the United States, shall execute or attempt to execute any legal process within the State of New Jersey, such person shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on being thereof duly convicted shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding $2000, and to imprisonment in the State Prison not exceeding seven years." On being so arrested, M[r] Mersereau was taken to New Brunswick and there confined in Jail. M[r] Leveridge was employed by M[r] Hone to go to New Brunswick and procure his enlargement if possible; A habeas corpus was obtained, and an order made that M[r] Mersereau should give bail in the sum of $6000, himself in $2000, and two sureties in that sum each. Considerable difficulty ocurred in procuring sureties, but through the exertions of M[r] Leveridge, and with an Indemnity from M[r] Hone, two citizens of New Jersey one residing at Trenton, the other at New Brunswick were induced to become bail for M[r] Mersereau's appearance in court, [244] to abide its order in the premises and he was accordingly released.

It appears that subsequently (I believe in December 1826) a bill of indictment was found against M[r] Mersereau at a Court of Oyer and Terminer held for Middlesex County in New Jersey, and that a new recognizance was ordered to be taken with three sureties in the sum of $3000 each, and that through the Agency of M[r] Leveridge and a Bond of indemnity from M[r] Hone such sureties were procured; their

names were Smith Freeman George H Stout and Cathel (since deceased). They entered into a several recognizance each in the sum of $3000, that Mr Mersereau should appear in the Supreme Court at Trenton, in May 1827, traverse the indictment and not depart the Court without leave.

It appears also that immediately after Mr Mersereau had been arested Mr Hone the then Mayor addressed a Letter on the subject to the late Mr Clinton then Governor of this State, and that he brought the whole subject before the Common Council on the 31st July 1826. By reference to the Minutes (vol 58 page 147 to 157) it will be found that a Report from the Attorney of the Board and one from the Mayor, a letter from Mr Leveridge to the Mayor, and two letters from the Mayor to the Governor were referred to the Law Committee; [245] and (page 203) that the governors answer to the Mayor was also referred to the same Committee. Also that on the 9th of October 1826 (page 319) a report was presented by the Law Committee, and referred back; and that on the same day (page 336), while the Board were sitting with closed doors, a Report from the same Committee on this subject was presented, read and Adopted. This report is not to be found in the Office of the Clerk, no[r] is it copied in the Minutes, I have not been able therefore to ascertain its contents but have been informed that the Common Council by adopting it, undertook to save Mr Hone harmless in the matter. It appears also that immediately after Mr Mersereaus arrest, Mr Leveridge employed George Wood Esqr an eminent lawyer then residing at New Brunswick, to Act as Counsel for Mr Mersereau, and that Mr Wood has had charge of defending Mr Mersereau and his sureties in this matter ever since; and that he has kept up a correspondence on this subject with the Counsel to the Board, to whom, by a resolution on a Report of the Law Committee adopted March 24th 1828 Mr Wood's previous communications to the Board were referred, with directions to reply thereto, and give such instructions in relation to the proceedings against Mr Mersereau as he might deem advisable.

It appears also that Mr Leveridge was paid by order of the Common Council for his services [246] and the expences incurred by him in going to New Jersey and procuring sureties for Mr Mersereau, whereby his release was effected

It appears also that at the May term of the Supreme Court of New Jersey in 1827, Mr Mersereau was called on his recognizance, but did not appear, and that his default was entered; that further proceedings were

however delayed in consequence of a negotiation pending between the two States, for a settlement of the boundary question by Commissioners, but that such negotiation having failed, proceedings were recommended in this matter in the early part of 1828 by issuing a scire facias against Mr Mersereau's bail; that Mr Wood appeared and defended those proceedings, and raised several objections thereto, but that the Supreme Court of New Jersey in November 1829 *dediced* [decided] against the defendants, by which Messrs Stout and Freeman, two of the sureties, were respectively adjudged to pay $3000, with interest and costs, and the estate of Mr Cathel (who had also been surety) was made liable for so much of the same amount as there should be assets to pay; that execution was issued against Messrs Stout and Freeman returnable in February 1830, to levy from each the sum of $3000, with costs and interest from the time at which Mr Mersereaus default was entered, and that an application [247] was made by Mr Wood to the Court to quash those executions, on the ground that two executions had been issued instead of one; he also objected to the claim for interest, and to the double bill of costs, upon which the Court decided, that interest could not extend further back than the date of the judgment (about the middle of November 1829) and that but one bill of costs could be taxed. They delayed deciding, until the next term, whether the execution should be quashed, and I have not learned whether any or what decision had since been made on that point.

It is certain however, as matters now stand, that Mr Freeman and Mr Stout, are each fixed for the payment of $3000, with interest from November last, and some costs; and that the estate of Mr Cathel will be held liable for some portion of a similar amount.

Mr Leveridge states, that those gentlemen have been required to pay the above demand, or submit to have their property sold; that they became such sureties at his earnest solicitation, and relying upon the indemnity of Mr Hone the former Mayor; that Mr Hone alleges that he acted throughout with the knowledge and approbation of the Common Council, and that they assumed all his responsibility in the matter.

And, finally, the object of Mr Leveridge's communication, is to request that the Corporation may promptly relieve Mr Mersereaus sureties by paying [248] the amounts for which they have thus been made liable

R Emmet

June 28. 1830

Upon the Question of adopting the Report of the Committee, it was carried in the Affirmative, And that part relative to an Application to the Legislature of the State of New Jersey and to the Legislature of the State of New York was referred to the Committee on Applications to the Legislature.

The Report of the Law Committee on the Memorial of the Manhattan Gas light Company presented on the 3d of August last and laid on the Table was on motion now called up and read as follows.

The Law Committee to whom was referred the Memorial of the Manhattan Gas Light Company

Respectfully Report.

That the Memorialists pray that the Corporation would by Resolution, annul and declare void the agreement made by their predecessors with the New York Gas Light Company; and grant to them, the Memorialists the right in common with the last named Company, to use the Streets of the City, for laying Pipes and supplying Gas Light within the Limits prescribed for the old Company.

[249] In order that the rights of the two Companies may be properly understood, the Committee lay before the Board the following statement of their origin and proceedings.

The New York Gas Light Company was incorporated by the Legislature of the State in March 1823 with a Capital of One Million of Dollars, and a Charter unlimited in its duration $495,000 of this Capital has been subscribed and actually paid in, and nearly the whole of that amount is now invested, and employed in the operations of the Company.

In May 1823, the Company entered into articles of agreement with the Corporation of the City whereby the Corporation granted to them, on certain conditions the sole and exclusive privilege and right of laying pipes under ground for conducting Gas to light the Public Lamps and the houses and buildings throughout that part of the City, south of a Line running from the East River through Grand street, Sullivan street, and Canal street to the Hudson River—This Grant the Company is to hold and enjoy until the 12th day of May 1853.

The Conditions to be performed by the Company were as follows namely.

That before the 12th day of May 1825 they should erect and complete good and sufficient buildings works and apparatus, for the preperation and manufacture of Gas; cause the necessary Pipes to be made of Cast Iron, and to be laid, and also manufacture and [250]

supply in the most approved manner sufficient quantities of the best quality gas commonly called inflamable gas, for lighting Broadway from Grand street to the Battery.

These conditions were performed within the time limited.

After the 12th day of May 1828 and at all times during the residue of the term of the Grant, the Company engaged to lay the necessary pipes, and supply a sufficient quantity of Gas for lighting such other streets and buildings within the prescribed limits, as the Corporation should from time to time reasonably require, by resolution or by Law; and that the Public Lamps should be lighted with gas during such times, as were customary to light them with oil &c at a yearly expence, not exceeding that of lighting and supplying an equal number of the said Lamps with oil, estimating the price at the average of the preceding year.

The uncertainty of the terms "best quality of gas" was settled between the Parties by making the London Gas a standard. The contract stipulates that the light of the said Lamps shall be of a quality, brilliancy, or intensity equal to the Gas in use for the Public Lamps in the City of London.

The Gas Company also stipulated, that they would so conduct their manufactories [251] as not to create a nuisance; and also agreed, that if they failed in fulfilling the conditions above mentioned the Common Council might by a Resolution or order, annul and vacate the grant.

In February 1827, the State Legislature incorporated another Company called the American Gas Light Company for the purpose of lighting with gas, that part of the City, north of the line prescribed by the Corporation for the New York Gas Company. This second Company entered into a contract with the Corporation, engaging to light with gas the Public Lamps &c agreeably to their Charter, on certain stipulated conditions, which it is now unnecessary to detail. The American Gas Light Company took no step towards fulfilling their contract, which expired by its own limitation, on the first day of May 1830. This document is on file in the Street Commissioners Office and is dated in July 1827.

During the existence of the last mentioned contract, the Vice President and Secratary of the American Gas Company, who executed it, and a majority of the Directors, associated their names with other individuals and petitioned the Legislature to grant them a charter under the title of the Manhattan Gas Light Company.

Their application to the Legislature was to obtain from them, the

right to open and dig into the streets of the City independent of the Common [252] Council. This appears from a printed copy of the Act of Incorporation; but clauses were afterwards added in its passage through the Senate restraining the Manhattan Gas Company "from digging into or defacing any Street without the permission of the Corporation first had and obtained;" and declaring that the "rights and privileges granted them should not be construed to impair or affect any exclusive rights and privileges, theretofore granted to any incorporated Company in said City."

This third Company now memorialize the Corporation praying for a concurrent right, with the New York Gas light Company, to use the streets for laying pipes, and thereby create a useful competition; for which purpose they respectfully allege and insist that the Common Council ought to annul and declare void the contract entered into between the Corporation and the New York Gas Light Company; on the ground, that the said Company have wholly failed to comply with the stipulations and engagements which form the conditions of their contract with the Corporation.

The Manhattan Gas Light Company specially allege, that the New York Gas Light Company have failed in what constitutes a fundamental part of their Contract to wit: the quality of the gas; and in the Memorial they offer [253] to prove.

"First, That the gas furnished by the New York Gas light Company, has never been of a quality, brilliancy or intensity, equal to the gas used in the public Lamps in the City of London but greatly inferior.

"Secondly, That the Manufactories of Gas of the New York Gas Light Company have been nuisances since their erection, and that their pipes have been and are, in several streets so carelessly laid, as to be offensive to the Citizens.

"Thirdly, That the quality of the Gas has been inferior, and the price exorbitant; and that pretended reductions have been wholly nominal and deceptive." Also stating that superior Gas may be furnished at a cheaper rate.

Your Committee have with patience and care, at various meetings, examined, under oath, a great number of witnesses, among whom were persons both scientifically and practically acquainted with the the quality, manufacturing and furnishing of Gas in different cities in Europe, as well as at Baltimore and New York.

The weight of testimony adduced substantiates the following facts; that the gas used for lighting the public lamps in the City of London,

is prepared entirely from coal, while that furnished by the Company here is now made from rosin, and was formerly manufactured from oil; that the best gas is made [254] from oil, and the next best from rosin, but it is fully shown that the gas as here furnished from rosin is superior in illuminating power, and in value to gas manufactured from Coal in the proportion of 2 feet of rosin to 3 feet of Coal gas.

It is however shewn that the quantity of light given by the public Lamps in Broadway is not by any means equal to the quantity in similar streets in London. It appears that the Lamps in London are larger, consume more Gas, and in a similar street are placed at an average distance of only 90 to 100 feet from each other, on each side of the Street while in Broadway the average distance is one hundred and forty eight and a half feet.

The Broadway Lamps are by the Corporation Lamp lighters, and the Superintendent testifies that the Gas Company furnishes at all times as much gas as can be used, but that the Lamp lighters are deterred from a more free use of the gas in consequence of the glasses which cover the Lamps, being too small to bear a sufficient height of flame.

In relation to the second charge viz "that the manufactories are a nuisance and the pipes carelessly laid," several witnesses testified, that they considered the gas manufactories a nuisance; but none of the witnesses believed them injurious to health.

[255] The opinions of the witnesses on this point appeared to your Committee to be governed by the same principle, by which almost any large manufacturing establishment might be considered a nuisance in a City.

It appeared in evidence, that gas manufactories were not considered nuisances, in the large European cities. It is also evident, that the parties to the contract under consideration, were not to consider the gas works as a nuisance in the City unless improperly conducted.

On this point, the contract expressly stipulated, that the Company should, before the twelfth day of May, 1825, erect, establish, and complete, in the city good and sufficient buildings, works and aparatus, for the preparing and manufacture [of] gas. All that the contract provides for in relation to a nuisance, has reference to the mode of conducting the works, and is in the words following, to wit: "And also that the said parties of the second part, will so conduct the manufactory, or manufactories of gas, as not to create a nuisance." It fully appeared from personal inspection by some of the members of your Committee as well as from other testimony, that the manufactories of

the New York Gas Light Company, were conducted with care and cleanliness; and it was proved to your Committee, that the works here, of the New York Gas Light Company, for the manufacture of gas from rosin, are, as now conducted far less offensive than similar establishments for the manufacture of Gas from coal as now conducted in the City of London.

[256] In relation to the Pipes, it was proved that the New York Gas Light Company used great care by testing each pipe by hydrostatic pressure, and also in joining, cementing and laying the same; and in all cases, endeavouring to discover and remedy every accidental escape of Gas as early as possible.

Your Committee also patiently attended to the examination of Witnesses, on other points which were claimed to be implied breaches of the Companys contract, and matters coming under the supervision of the Common Council, as guardians of the public weal. They consented to extend their examination to such matters, although not contained in the contract, in consequence of a desire expressed by the company's agents, to invite and meet a full investigation of all their concerns. The agents of the Company were examined under oath and their accounts vouchers and statements laid before your Committee. From the result of the testimony it fully appears, that the Gas delivered to customers is all measured with meters, made and tested with great care; that the quantity indicated by the meter, cannot be greater than the quantity which has actually passed through the measure; that no deception in the quality of the gas, as now made from rosin, has by no means deteriorated from the quality of the Gas first made from rosin, and when it was sold at a higher price.

[257] No proof has been adduced to shew that better Gas could be furnished at less or even at the present rates; but from the accounts, statements, and annual Reports of the officers and clerks of the company verefied by oath, it was shown to the conviction of your Committee, in relation to exorbitance of charges and profits, that the company could not afford to reduce their price for gas, without an increase of custom from the public.

It was also proved by the testimony of the manager that the Company were losers to the amount of fifteen dollars per year, for every public lamp furnished by them with gas under their contract with the Corporation; and it was shown that the price paid per annum, for lighting each public Lamp with coal gas, in Baltimore was Ten dollars, and in London about Twenty five dollars, while the Corporation here pay the company but Five dollars and twenty five cents per Lamp.

In relation to the benefit which it is suggested would result to the Public, from creating more Gas companies for the purpose of competition, it has been shown by the result of an investigation made by Commissioners in the City of London, and instituted by the British Parliment that serious evils grew out of the operations of different Gas Companies in the same district, the breaking up of the pavement for two sets of mains [in] the place of one the confusion and disorder produced by pipes crossing and intersecting each other, the disputes and delay in identifying [258] leakages, altogether became so great an inconvenience that it proved absolutely necessary to separate and confine the different companies to different districts, which distinct separation was accordingly made of the different Companies; and all the latter grants made by Parliment for the metropolis to new Companies, have been confined to particular and exclusive sections of the City.

The New York Gas Light Company have as before stated, invested a large amount of Capital—Their works have now been in operation between five and six years, and during the whole of that period, by the judicious management and care of the persons in their employ, the difficulty and somewhat dangerous process of preparing and distributing the gas, have been carried on without a single failure of any consequence, in supplying the necessary quantity of Gas, and without any accident affecting in the slightest degree the person or property of any of the Citizens.

In conclusion, your Committee, remark, that although they have devoted an unusual degree of time and labour to the investigation, they have not been able to discover any such breach, on the part of the old company, of the contract entered into by them with the Corporation, as would justify the Common Council, in annulling or revoking the grant.

The following Resolution is therefore submitted.

[259] Resolved, That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

James I Roosevelt Junr
G. Lee
W Seaman
Fyler Dibblee.

Alderman Stevens presented the following amendment to be added to the Report "But that the Common Council in passing this Resolution neither admit the correctness of the facts as stated in the above Report nor do they admit the correctness of the conclusions stated in the Report at which the Committee have arrived. Debates arose

thereon and Alderman Wells moved to divide the sentence taking a Question upon the correctness of the facts, separate from the conclusion drawn from the Report which was agreed to, And the question being taken on the first part it passed in the Negative—The question was then taken on the latter part of the sentence relative to the conclusions drawn from the Report which was carried in the Affirmative.

The Question was then taken on the Resolution as amended Viz[t] "That the Common Council do not admit the correctness of the conclusions stated in the Report at which the Committee have arrived" and was agreed to—And on the question upon the Report, Resolution and Amendment, the whole was agreed to.

[260] The Counsel presented the following Report on Three Leases for Thomas Blanch

The Counsel of the Board herewith presents Three Leases drawn to Thomas Blanch for Lots and pieces of Land sold on the 13[th] of October 1828 for Assessments and for which the said Thomas Blanch holds Certificates.

The following Resolution is respectfully submitted

"Resolved that the above mentioned Leases be authenticated in the usual maner during the recess of the Board"

Respectfully submitted

R Emmet

Which was read and Adopted and the Leases ordered to be executed during the recess of the Board.

Alderman Strong presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Police Committee.

Resolved that the Office of Street Inspector of the Sixth Ward, be and the same is hereby declared vacant, and that this Board now proceed to appoint a suitable person to fill said vacancy.

[261] Alderman Woodruff presented the following Resolution which was read and referred to the Street Committee.

Resolved that it be referred to the Street Committee to inquire into the propriety of having the Side walks of Orange street paved from Prince street to the termination about 200 feet.

The Street Commissioner presented the following Communication relative to the repaving part of James street.

The Street Commissioner respectfully represents that in consequence of the filling of James Slip the surface Waters of James street and parts of Cherry & Water streets are deposited at the former head

of the Slip at Water street, and will be rendered impassible during the ensuing winter.

In order to remedy the evil, it is suggested that the pavement of so much of James street between Cherry street and the Southerly side of Water street be taken up and paved on such regulation as to cast the water over the surface to South street—And that the same may be carried into immediate effect, it is respectfully recommended that the Street Commissioner adopt the necessary measures therefor, And that an Ordinance be passed accordingly.

All which is respectfully submitted

R Graves S^{t} Comm^{r}

[262] Which was approved and the Street Commissioner was directed to Report an Ordinance therefor.

He accordingly presented the following Ordinance.

An Ordinance for repaving James street between Cherry street and Water street which was passed and John Slidell, Reuben Munson and Jedediah B Leister was Appointed Assessors.

The Board then Adjourned to meet on Monday the 1st of November at 5 OClock P M.

[263] In Common Council Nov^{r} 1st 1830

Present The Honb^{l} Walter Bowne Mayor President
Richard Riker Esquire Recorder

Aldermen	Assistants
Peter J Nevius	Jonathan Seymour
William W Mott	William Mandeville
Samuel Stevens	David Bryson
Anthony Lamb	Henry Arcularius
George D Strong	Joseph W Beadle
William Seaman	John Rogers
Benjamin M Brown	Thomas Jeremiah
James N Wells	Fyler Dibblee
Bernard J Meserole	Peter Cooper
David Marsh	*Thomas Jeremiah*
Gideon Lee	Philip W Engs
James Palmer	
Thomas T Woodruff	

The Minutes of the last regular and Special Meetings were read and approved

On Motion the Finance Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the Petition of sundry Inhabitants of the 12th Ward

for increase [264] of Lamps & Watch and referred to the Lamp and Watch Committees.

A Petition of Sarah Tilford widow of Robert Tilford stating that while her late husband was in the discharge of his duty as a Watchman he was so much injured that it caused his Death, and praying the Common Council to grant her some assistance was read and referred to the Watch Committee.

An Invitation from the Trustees of the Clinton Hall Association to hear the Report of the concern read on Tuesday evening 2d Inst at 7 OClock was read and accepted.

A Communication from John Hunter Agent of the Commissioners of the Alms House suggesting some alteration in the Law relative to the Commutation of Alien Passengers was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors respecting Blank forms of Notices to be furnished to the Assessors of the respective wards, was laid before the Common Council agreeably to a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

[265] A Petition of sundry owners of property in Ann street for extension of widening said Street from Nassau street to the property of Mr Patton was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A Petition of Samuel L Mitchell & others against taking India Wharf for public purposes was read and referred to the Finance Committee together with a Report of the Finance Committee of the 11th of October and then Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Charles Darke for Stall No 24 Fulton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of William J Pell for transfer of Stall in Clinton Market was read and referred to the Market Committee.

A Petition of Jabez Fisher to be employed as Driver of the Carriage to convey Prisoners to and from Bridewell, was read and referred to the Commissioners of the Alms House

A Petition of Reynolds Sherman & others to have 16th Street opened from 8th Avenue to the Hudson River was read and referred to the Street Committee.

[266] A Petition of William L Morris and others for the removal of the 9th & 11th Ward Justices Court to the corner of Bowery & Bleecker streets was read and referred to the Aldermen & Assistants of the 9th & 11th Wards.

A Petition of Bernard M^cCafferty for payment on Account of a Contract for regulating and filling Sixth street was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A Petition of John M^cGuire to be relieved from the payment of a fine for selling Liquors without Licence, was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Martin to be relieved from the payment of personal Tax was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments

A Petition of C D Colden and others who advanced the Funds for Building the Rotunda to have the Lease of the same renewed to them on just and equitable terms, was read and referred to the Finance Committee and Committee on Public Offices.

[267] A Remonstrance of Abraham Bishop & others, also of Benjamin Loweree & others against the extension of the Lease of the Williamsburgh Ferry Company were read and Laid on the Table.

A Petition of Robert Purchase to be appointed a City Weigher was read and referred to the Committee on Applications for Office.

A Petition of Garret Conkright to be relieved from the payment of a judgment obtained against him for selling liquors without a Licence (as alledged) was read and referred to the Police Committee.

A Petition of Joseph Lyons to be reinstated in his Office as Keeper of the Battery was read and referred to the Committee on Lands & Places.

A request was received from Peter Ogilvie Jun^r to be excused acting as Inspector of Election of the 13^th Ward, but it was not considered expedient to take any order thereon.

The Chief Engineer presented the following Return of Firemen, the resignations [268] were accepted and appointments made.

Fire Engine C^o

N^o 4

Isaac V Austin—Chair Maker 92 Chrystie S^t
V^c George W Gordon Resigned

N^o 12

Samuel Radcliff Printer 196 William S^t To fill the Company.

N^o 13

John W Shiply Accountant Franklin square)
Caswell Bates Merchant 18 Roosevelt S^t) To fill Company

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